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83D CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 6290

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 1953

Mrs. HARDEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

A BILL

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following reports or statements now required by
4 law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts
5 herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or
6 statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such
7 requirement:

8 REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND
9 INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

10 1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency
11 as required by the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as
12 amended (62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2673).

1 2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of
2 each executive department or independent establishment
3 of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such
4 department or establishment under all Acts of Congress (47
5 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a) .

6 3. The quarterly report to Congress by each depart-
7 ment and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief
8 has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as
9 amended, together with the amount of such relief and a
10 brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision
11 (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106) .

12 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

13 4. The annual report to Congress of the activities of,
14 expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research
15 laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act
16 of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)) .

17 5. The annual report to the Congress of all persons
18 against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm
19 Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the
20 address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of
21 the compromise and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7
22 U. S. C. 1015 (g)) .

23 6. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required
24 to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect

1 to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund
2 (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a).

3 7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
4 to the President accounting for all moneys received and ex-
5 pended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557).

6 8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
7 to the Congress on research work being performed under
8 contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the Act of
9 August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j
10 and 1624).

11 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

12 9. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways
13 required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first
14 Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement
15 of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the
16 allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the
17 expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year,
18 an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including
19 a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses,
20 and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amend-
21 ing or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat.
22 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-
23 first Congress; Reorganization Plan Numbered 7 of 1949).

24 10. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordina-

tion of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127).

11. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act.

12. Annual report submitted in accordance with section 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction.

13. Annual report concerning messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first Congress (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).

14. The requirement that two thousand eight hundred copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247).

15. The annual coast survey report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

1 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

2 16. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense
3 to the Committee on Appropriations and Armed Services
4 of the amounts obligated under the contract authorizations
5 provided for in the Supplemental National Defense Approp-
6 priation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547, Eightieth Congress),
7 as required by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a Note).

8 17. The following statements of expenses included in
9 the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of:

10 (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tribu-
11 taries (33 U. S. C. 4) ; (2) maintenance of the channel
12 through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and sur-
13 veys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C.
14 602) ; (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and
15 certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606) ; (4) opera-
16 tion of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain
17 other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605) ; (5) operating, maintaining,
18 keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc.,
19 other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

20 18. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429 (5
21 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress
22 in the form of a statement of amounts expended for wages of
23 mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or

1 equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and securing
2 stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase
3 of materials and stores for the same purpose.

4 19. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of the
5 Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of any
6 vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429, 5
7 U. S. C. 466).

8 20. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the
9 Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval
10 appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code,
11 section 647.

12 21. Annual report of the Secretary of each military
13 department of transportation services furnished under Pub-
14 lic Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as
15 required by section 2 of that Act.

16 22. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of
17 transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within
18 the District of Columbia among Federal and District authori-
19 ties pursuant to title 40, United States Code, section 122.

20 23. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pur-
21 suant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C.
22 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of professors
23 and instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School.

24 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

25 24. The annual report and financial statement by the

1 Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of
2 the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779;
3 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

4 25. The annual report and financial statement by the
5 Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of
6 electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during
7 the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16
8 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

9 26. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
10 to the Congress giving in detail a list of lands exchanged
11 under the Recreational Act of June 14, 1926 (44 Stat. 741;
12 43 U. S. C. 869).

13 27. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
14 to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal
15 affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures
16 from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by
17 any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department
18 during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C.
19 143).

20 28. The report of the Secretary of the Interior of all
21 withdrawals by the President of public lands from settlement,
22 location, sale, or entry for reserve for waterpower sites,
23 irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes
24 (36 Stat. 847; 43 U. S. C. 143).

25 29. The report of the Secretary of the Interior as to

1 lands within any Indian reservation reserved from location,
2 sale, entry, allotment, or other appropriation for use in con-
3 nection with any irrigation project heretofore or hereafter
4 authorized by Congress (36 Stat. 858; 43 U. S. C. 148).

5 30. The annual report by the National Park Trust Fund
6 Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities received
7 and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16
8 U. S. C. 19d).

9 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

10 31. The annual report of the Attorney General to Con-
11 gress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46
12 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C.
13 790), in which final judgment has been rendered.

14 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

15 32. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of
16 the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of
17 productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat.
18 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

19 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

20 33. The semiannual report of the National Munitions
21 Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452).

REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

34. The report on regulations as to lifesaving appliances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels (46 U. S. C. 481).

REPORT UNDER THE MUTUAL SECURITY AGENCY

35. The quarterly report of the President to the Congress of expenditures and activities, which shall include use of funds by the recipient government under assistance to Greece and Turkey authorization (61 Stat. 105; 22 U. S. C. 1407).

REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

36. Report by the Comptroller General on Farm Credit Administration transactions under the agriculture marketing revolving fund, in violation of law, together with such recommendations as deemed desirable (46 Stat. 18; 12 U. S. C. 1141i).

37. Report by the Comptroller General containing recommendations for such changes in existing law relating to inactive and permanent appropriation and for funds on the books of the Government and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the

1 Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting
2 is rendered to the General Accounting Office, as in the judg-
3 ment of the Comptroller General, after a survey thereof, may
4 be in the public interest (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w).

5 38. Report by the Comptroller General of any trans-
6 action or condition found to be in conflict with the powers
7 or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by
8 law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C.
9 831h).

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By Mrs. HAYDEN

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Referred to the Committee on Government Operations

Thirty-two private bills, S. 68, 123, 153, 179, 205, 236, 296, 303, 305, 313, 323, 353, 506, 550, 569, 606, 730, 801, 825, 973, 982, 1009, 1018, 1226, 1281, 1323, 1432, 1443, 2108, 2151, H. Con. Res. 197, and H. R. 7251 (H. Repts. 1147-1178, respectively).

Pages 1308-1309

Lake Michigan: After rejecting a recommittal motion by 150 yeas to 234 nays, the House on a voice vote passed H. R. 3300, to authorize the State of Illinois and the Sanitary District of Chicago, under the direction of the Secretary of the Army, to help control the lake level of Lake Michigan by diverting water from Lake Michigan into the Illinois Waterway.

A separate vote was requested on an amendment offered by Mr. Ford of Michigan designed to prevent any additional diversion of water from the lake until a survey of lake levels had been completed by the Army Corps of Engineers and submitted to Congress, which resulted in the rejection of the amendment by 177 yeas to 202 nays. Rejected two other amendments, while in the Committee of the Whole, designed to limit the water diversion to its present rate; and making diversion dependent on condition of the Illinois River to be determined by the Secretary of the Army.

Adopted an amendment extending the time to January 31, 1957, for completion of a study of the effect on the Illinois Waterway of the increased diversion by the Secretary of the Army.

Pages 1289-1300

Program for Monday: Adjourned at 4:36 p. m. until Monday, February 8, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Committee on Armed Services: Maj. Gen. Morris J. Lee, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (Air Force), accompanied by other Defense Department representatives, testified for the second day on H. R. 7103, to establish limitations on the number of officers who may serve in the commissioned grades of the armed services. Committee recessed on the bill to February 16.

ASPHALT VS. CONCRETE

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Defense continued hearings in connection with its study of the relative merits of using asphalt for airstrip paving compared to using concrete. Officials of the Department of Defense testifying today were Capt. Martin W. Kehart, Assistant Chief for Operations, Bureau of Yards and Docks (Navy); John M. Ferry, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force for Construction; Maj. Gen. Roger M. Ramey, Director of Operations (Air Force); Maj. Gen. Lee Washbourne, Director of Installations (Air Force); and L. B. McCloud, Civilian Chief (Construction, Air Force). Hearings will be continued tomorrow.

FOREIGN SERVICE EMPLOYEES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: The Subcommittee on State Department Organization and Personnel considered, in open meeting today, H. R. 4538, a bill to make certain increases in the annuities of annuitants under the Foreign Service retirement and disability system. Testimony in support of enactment of this legislation was received from Carl W. Strom, Foreign Service officer; and William E. Woodyear, Personnel Department, both of the Department of State.

FEDERAL DEPARTMENTS—REPORTS

Committee on Government Operations: Ordered the following bills reported to the House—

H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports now required by law of certain Federal agencies and departments, amended; and

H. J. Res. 300, to direct the conveyance of a tract of surplus lands in Kerr County, Tex., to the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation, Inc.

Also approved the intermediate report of the Richlman Subcommittee on Military Operations, entitled "Survey of Military Surplus"; and the intermediate report of the Harden Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Reorganization entitled "Government in Business."

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Indian Affairs approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee—H. R. 2974, amended, to add to the revised roll of the Indians of California certain Indians who made application for enrollment within the time fixed by law; H. R. 4118, amended, to authorize the preparation of rolls of persons of Indian blood whose ancestors were members of certain tribes or bands in the State of Oregon, relative to fund distribution; H. R. 4481, amended, to authorize enrolled members of the Gros Ventre and Assiniboine Tribes of the Fort Belknap Reservation, Mont., to acquire interests in tribal lands of the reservation; and S. 1160, conveyance of certain land to the city of Tucson, Ariz.

Departmental witnesses heard in support of all bills were H. Rex Lee, Associate Commissioner, and Harry Sellery, Chief Counsel, both of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Representative Ellsworth spoke on behalf of his bill (H. R. 4118); Representative Patten was heard in favor of S. 1160; and Donald Adams, administrative assistant to Representative Phillips, represented Mr. Phillips in support of H. R. 2974. Recessed subject to call of the Chair.

HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Began hearings today on H. R. 7341, to amend the hospital survey and construction provisions of the Public Health Services Act to provide matching grants by the Federal

Government to State programs for the construction of certain facilities. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, spoke in favor of the bill's enactment stating that this bill is "designed to broaden and improve an existing program which has become a model of effective Federal-State cooperation in the advancement of community health services. On the solid base of the existing program it would add a five-point plan for constructing the kind of health facilities which our communities most urgently need, and which they can most efficiently and economically maintain. It is a bill which, we believe, would make a real contribution toward better health care for thousands of our fellow Americans."

Other officials of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare testifying were Nelson Rockefeller, Under Secretary; Dr. Leonard Scheele, U. S. Surgeon General; Arthur A. Kimball, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation; and Dr. John W. Cronin, Chief of the Division of Hospitals. Statements for the record were received from Representative McConnell, of Pennsylvania; and the American Medical and American Osteopathic Associations. Hearings will be continued tomorrow morning.

FOREIGN MERCHANT VESSELS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. R. 6318, to extend the emergency foreign merchant vessel acquisition and operating authority, after hearing Louis S. Rothschild, Maritime Administrator, and Eugene Ackerson, legislative counsel to the Maritime Administrator.

POSTAL-RATE REVISION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Approved section 1 of H. R. 6052, postal rate revisions, as it is in the bill, which provides for a 1-cent increase in the first-class rate on nonlocal mail—raises it from 3 cents to 4 cents. The raise is on the first ounce only which makes it, in effect, a 1-cent-a-piece increase. Will resume on same legislation tomorrow.

POSTAL SAVINGS—FEDERAL EMPLOYEES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Voted to report favorably the following bills to the House—

H. R. 7371, amended, to provide for the disposal of paid postal-savings certificates; and

H. R. 7554, amended, to provide for compensation of certain employees on days when departments or establishments of the Government are closed by administrative order.

RIVERS AND HARBORS

Committee on Public Works: The Angell subcommittee considered projects located in New Jersey and Delaware today, as follows—Hackensack River, N. J., on which the subcommittee heard Representatives Widnall,

Osmers, and Auchincloss; Mispillion River, Del., hearing Representative Warburton; and Shoal Harbor and Compton Creek, N. J., hearing Representative Auchincloss. Col. W. D. Milne, representing the Corps of Engineers, spoke on the Westchester Creek, N. Y., project. Recessed until tomorrow when it will consider certain Maryland projects, which, like all authorizations to be taken up during this series of hearings, have received favorable reports from the Chief of Engineers since the passage of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1950.

GENERAL TAX REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Announced that the following substantive changes were agreed to in the revenue revision bill of 1954:

TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS

The committee made practically no changes in the tax treatment of "tax exempt" organizations, the organizations presently described in section 101 of the code. The one change made in this area relates to a minor change in the unrelated business income tax to which educational, charitable, and certain of the other organizations are subject. Under this tax these organizations presently are subject to tax on their rental income derived from leases of more than 5 years to the extent of indebtedness outstanding which was incurred to acquire or construct the leased property.

It has been called to the attention of the committee that certain organizations have been avoiding this tax by continuous renewals of leases of less than 5 years. To close this loophole the committee adopted a provision which subjects rental income to the unrelated business income tax (beginning in the sixth year) where the lease is for 5 years or less if the same business tenant occupies the property for more than 5 years. However, as in the case of leases for more than 5 years, the tax would apply only to the extent outstanding borrowed funds were used to acquire or construct the leased property.

TAX TREATMENT OF PENSIONS

The committee adopted a series of provisions revising and rearranging the provisions relating to the tax treatment of pensions. These provisions relate to the deductibility of contributions made by the employer, the tax treatment of the trust (if any is used) which holds the funds prior to their payment to employees, and the tax treatment of the pensions to the employee. These provisions provide that contributions made by employers are deductible at the time made if the plan is a qualified plan, the earnings of the trust are exempt (if it is qualified and does not have unrelated business income), and the employee is taxable on the benefits when he receives them.

1. *Qualifications of an Employee's Exempt Pension, Stock Bonus, or Profit Sharing Trust*

As under existing law, a trust to qualify must be part of a plan to distribute to employees and their beneficiaries the capital and income of the fund, and capital or income must be available only for the benefit of employees or their beneficiaries.

Under both present law and the provisions adopted by the committee a qualifying plan must also be nondiscriminatory. Under present law a plan, in general, is nondiscriminatory if it benefits 70 percent or more of the employees (or 80 percent of those eligible if 70 percent or more are eligible) or if the Commissioner determines that it does not discriminate in favor of shareholders, officers, supervisory personnel, or highly paid employees.

DISCONTINUING CERTAIN REPORTS NOW REQUIRED BY LAW

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 6290]

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS



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REPORT
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Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan, from the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 6290]

The Committee on Government Operations, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6290) to discontinue certain reports now required by law, having considered the same, report favorably thereon with amendments and recommend that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The amendments are as follows:

Page 5, line 3, change "Committee" to "Committees".

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 26, strike lines 9 through 12, inclusive.

Page 7, line 13, strike "27" and insert "26".

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 28, strike lines 20 through 24, inclusive.

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 29, strike line 25.

Page 8, strike lines 1 through 4, inclusive.

Page 8, line 5, strike "30" and insert "27".

Page 8, line 10, strike "31" and insert "28".

Page 8, line 15, strike "32" and insert "29".

Page 8, line 20, strike "33" and insert "30".

Page 9, line 2, strike "34" and insert "31".

Page 9, line 5, delete title.

Page 9, beginning with paragraph 35, strike lines 6 through 10, inclusive.

Page 9, line 12, strike "36" and insert "32".

Page 9, line 17, strike "37" and insert "33".

Page 10, line 5, strike "38" and insert "34".

PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the bill to authorize the discontinuance of 34 reports or statements now required by law of the various departments and agencies in the executive branch of the Government and to repeal the acts, or parts of acts, requiring the submission of such reports or statements to the extent of such requirement.

GENERAL STATEMENT

House Document 273 of the 83d Congress, dated January 6, 1954, lists approximately 300 statutory provisions which require the preparation and submission to the Congress by the executive departments and agencies of monthly, quarterly, or annual reports. Usually the report relates to a particular activity of a department although in some cases the reporting requirement relates to all of the executive departments and agencies. The Congress, in enacting laws establishing a new activity or expanding existing functions, frequently requires the submission of reports which, with the passage of time, cease to be as useful as when first required. In other instances subsequent legislation will prescribe reports which in effect replace the earlier reports, or render them unnecessary, but the statutory requirement for the earlier report is not repealed by the later legislation.

From time to time legislation is enacted for the purpose of eliminating the necessity for the submission of reports deemed to be unnecessary. The act of May 29, 1928 (45 Stat. 986), repealed statutory provisions requiring the preparation and submission of 128 reports. The act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 866), repealed 62 similar requirements. The act of October 31, 1951 (65 Stat. 701), repealed the requirements for 131 reports.

The reports proposed for elimination have been outmoded, have been superseded by other reports or contain detailed information which is costly to report and which is available to the Congress at any time from the records of the particular department or agency. It would appear, therefore, that the elimination of the listed reports would not adversely affect the business of the Congress but would assist in conserving manpower, materials, space, and funds.

The Secretary of Agriculture in his favorable report on the items which apply to the Department of Agriculture stated that there would be an estimated saving in personnel time and supplies of between \$3,000 and \$4,000 per year. Upon the basis of this estimate and those for specific reports of the other departments and agencies, as given below, the total estimated savings would amount to approximately \$144,000 per annum.

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF THE BILL, ITEM BY ITEM, IN THE ORDER OF THEIR APPEARANCE IN THE BILL

(Reports under each executive department and independent establishment)

Item No. 1: The head of each Federal agency is required to submit to the Congress annually a report as to all claims of \$1,000 or less paid by it from agency funds under the Federal Tort Claims Act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 843; 62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2672, 2673).

The report must include the name of each claimant, the amount claimed and paid, and a brief description of the claim. The act provides that the head of each Federal agency may adjust and settle claims of \$1,000 or less against the United States for injury or loss of property or personal injury or death caused by wrongful acts or omissions by any Government employee of the agency while acting within the scope of his employment under circumstances in which the United States, if a private person, would be liable under the law of the place where the act or omission occurred. For example, the Navy Department reported on 1,552 separate claim approvals for the fiscal year 1952. The General Services Administration reported on 100 claim approvals and the Department of Agriculture reported on 75 claim approvals. The Department of Commerce reported on approximately 120 claim approvals and estimated the cost of the report to be \$1,200 annually. The Comptroller General, in his recommendation to the committee on this bill, takes the position that the requirement for regular reports may, in some instances, have a wholesome effect where, as in this case, administrative settlements are conclusive and final. He recommended that this report either be retained as a special report or included in the annual reports of the departments and agencies. It is doubtful, however, that the use made of this report justifies the amount of work involved in its preparation. Furthermore, each agency has on hand the data with respect to each claim which is available whenever a question may arise about a particular person. The departments and agencies in general support the elimination of this item.

Item No. 2: By act of June 30, 1932 (47 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a), there must be included in the annual reports to the Congress by the executive departments and independent agencies a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to them under all acts of Congress. This requirement causes a duplication of the information submitted to the Congress in that the Treasury Department for each fiscal year publishes a Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Balances of the United States Government. This report includes for each agency of the Federal Government the amount of receipts by types. In addition, the amount of receipts are furnished in connection with the budget submissions of the various Federal agencies.

Item No. 3: Under the provisions of the act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 902), as amended by the act of June 25, 1948 (62 Stat. 922; 41 U. S. C. 106) each agency is required to report quarterly to the Congress the name of each claimant to whom relief was granted under the act, the amount allowed, and a brief statement of the facts and administrative decision. The act provided for relief only where claims therefor were filed with the agency within 6 months after the date of approval of the act (August 7, 1946). The act limited the claims to contractual losses which arose out of work, supplies, or services furnished between September 16, 1940, and August 14, 1945, and with respect to which a written request for relief was filed with the contracting agency concerned on or before August 14, 1945. This reporting requirement is now obsolete.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Item No. 4: By subsection (e) of 7 U. S. C. 1292 (52 Stat. L. 37) the Secretary of Agriculture is required to submit annually to the Congress a report of the activities of, the expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research laboratories. The Secretary, in his favorable recommendation on this item to the committee, explained that similar information is contained in the published annual report of the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Administration which is available to the Congress and the public. Similar information is also furnished in support of the annual budget estimates.

Item No. 5: The Secretary is required at the end of each fiscal year to submit to the Congress a report of the names and addresses of borrowers under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act against whom claims in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised. The report must also include the amounts of the compromises and the reasons (60 Stat. 1066; 7 U. S. C. 1015 (g) (4)). As explained by the Secretary in his favorable report on this item, the data must be recorded separately for each transaction as it occurs. At the end of each fiscal year the report is then typed. The 1951 fiscal year report consisted of 200 pages. The Secretary stated that the time and expense involved in the preparation of this report outweighs any advantages derived. Where information is desired with respect to any individual borrower, or a group of borrowers residing in a certain area, it may be obtained from the area finance officers of the Farmers Home Administration.

Item No. 6: The Secretary is required to include in his annual report to the Congress a complete statement with respect to the status of the farm tenant-mortgage insurance fund (60 Stat. L 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a). In his favorable recommendation on this item the Secretary explained that detailed information on the fund is published in the annual report of the Administrator of Farmers Home Administration to the Secretary. In addition, the information is also contained in the annual budget estimates to the Congress.

Item No. 7: The Secretary of Agriculture is required in his annual report to the President to include an account of all moneys received and expended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557). The Secretary in his favorable recommendation on this item explained that this information is contained in the printed report of the Director of Finance to the Secretary and appears also in the annual budget submission to the Congress. At present the statutory requirement is being satisfied by attaching pertinent tables from the report of the Director of Finance to the Secretary's report to the President.

Item No. 8: The annual report to Congress by the Secretary on research work performed under contracts or cooperative agreements under the authority of the act of August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j and 1624). The report includes the names of the cooperating agencies and the amounts expended, segregated by Federal and non-Federal funds. The Secretary pointed out that much of the information required is presently furnished to the Congress in the explanatory notes for the House Committee on Appropriations, the annual report of the Chief of the Office of Experiment Stations and in the annual report of the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Administration. He also stated that one part of the required report

is not otherwise available but is apparently the least useful. Its estimated cost is over \$1,000.

(The Secretary also recommended the inclusion of the annual report of the Postmaster General to Congress and to the Bureau of the Budget relative to the number of envelopes, labels, wrappers, cards, and other articles bearing penalty indicia which are procured or accounted for through him (act of June 25, 1948; 62 Stat. 1048; 39 U. S. C. 321j). The report is compiled from reports submitted by each agency. The Secretary of Agriculture stated that by the act of June 25, 1948, the recordkeeping and reporting requirements were reduced from those required under the act of June 28, 1944 (39 U. S. C. 321d). The Secretary in recommending the repeal of this reporting requirement stated that compliance with this requirement is time-consuming and costly particularly for an organization which operates mostly on a decentralized basis. This report is required from all the agencies of the Government. The committee has not included this report in the bill for the reason that the Bureau of the Budget and the Post Office Department are presently studying the subject of official Government mail in connection with H. R. 996, a bill to abolish free transmission of official Government mail matter and certain other mail matter.)

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Item No. 9: By section 19 of the Federal Highway Act of November 9, 1921 (42 Stat. 216; 23 U. S. C. 1, 20), the Secretary of Commerce is required to report to the Congress annually on Federal-aid highways giving detailed statements of the work done, allocation of appropriations, itemized statement of receipts and expenditures, a listing of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses, and recommendations for new or amending legislation. The Secretary of Commerce in his favorable recommendation on this item explained that the pertinent data are included in his annual report with respect to the Department generally and in the report of the Bureau of Public Roads to the Secretary, both of which reports are printed as public documents. In addition much of the financial detail is submitted through budget channels. The estimated cost of the report is \$50 annually.

Item No. 10: By section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127), the Secretary of Commerce is required to submit every 4 months a report to the Congress with respect to the coordination of forwarding waterborne export and import foreign commerce. The Secretary of Commerce in his favorable recommendation on this item pointed out that the coordination of these forwarding facilities was necessary during World War II since normal transoceanic commerce was subordinated to military and strategic requirements of our war effort. He also stated that subsequent to World War II there has been but little activity in this connection. The cost of the more recent reports is slight.

Item No. 11: By section 18 of the Federal Airport Act of May 13, 1946 (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), the Secretary of Commerce is required to submit annually by the 3d of January a detailed report to the Congress describing operations under the Federal Airport Act. The report is to include detailed statements of airport development accomplished, status of each project, allocation of appropriations, itemized statements of expenditures and receipts, and any recom-

mended changes in the legislation. The Secretary in his favorable report on this item pointed out that this report duplicates information submitted in the annual budget report. The estimated cost of this report is \$1,200 annually.

Item No. 12: An annual report under section 4 of Senate Resolution 136, 81st Congress, is required to be submitted to the committee containing data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction. The Secretary in his favorable recommendation on this item stated that he understood that the information was originally required for use in connection with a public-works program in the event of widespread unemployment. The Secretary pointed out that the information would be available from other sources in the Department if and as needed. The estimated cost of the report is \$450 a year.

Item No. 13: By chapter 733, section 1 (c) of Public Law 390, 81st Congress, October 26, 1949 (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a), the Secretary of Commerce is required to submit annually to the Congress a report showing the expenditures for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States. Such facilities are authorized under the legislation where suitable family facilities are not available and are to be furnished employees and dependents of the Department of Commerce and other Federal agencies at a reasonable value. The proceeds obtained are to be credited to the appropriation from which the expenditures are made. Messing facilities have not been provided under this legislation and accordingly reports have not been made.

Item No. 14: The act of January 12, 1895 (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247), requires the printing in quarto form of 2,800 copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey in addition to the usual number. Of the 2,800 copies, 200 are for the Senate, 600 for the House, and the balance for distribution by the agency. The Secretary explained that only 750 copies of the 1952 report were printed and that the annual report of the Secretary contains the important material of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Item No. 15: Section 4690 of the Revised Statutes required the submission by the Director, Coast and Geodetic Survey, of an annual coast survey report, accompanied by a general chart of the whole coast of the United States. The act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 866; 33 U. S. C. 888), repealed the requirement in section 4690 that the Coast and Geodetic annual coast survey report be accompanied by the general chart of the whole coast of the United States, but the Secretary stated that it is not clear whether the requirement in section 4690 for the annual coast survey report was repealed. This requirement is no longer necessary since the act of August 6, 1947 (61 Stat. 788), contains general authority for the publication of annual reports of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Item No. 16: By section 2 of the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1948 (62 Stat. 259; 5 U. S. C. 171a note), the Secretary of Defense is required to report quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services the amounts obligated on contract authorizations for the 70-air group contracts provided in the act. The Secretary reported favorably on this item at the time he

submitted recommendations to the Bureau of the Budget of items for inclusion in H. R. 5191, the bill which was not acted upon by the 82d Congress. The present item 16, appearing as item 13 of H. R. 5191, was recommended by the Secretary on the basis that only 2 percent of the amount of contract authorization remained unobligated as of April 1951. Since that time the remaining balance has been obligated and reports are no longer submitted.

Item No. 17: The Chief of Engineers is required to include in his annual report statements of expenditures with respect to the following activities: (1) Gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of channel through the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C. 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi River and other named rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); and (5) operating, maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc., other than the Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5). At the time these statements of expenditures were first required the activities were financed from permanent appropriations. Subsequent to the enactment of the Permanent Appropriations Repeal Act of June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1224; 31 U. S. C. 725), these activities have been financed by annual appropriations. Thus the expenditure data for each completed fiscal year are submitted with the budget estimates for succeeding years.

Item No. 18: By section 429 of the Revised Statutes, June 22, 1910 (5 U. S. C. 466), the Secretary of the Navy is required to submit annually to the Congress a statement of amounts expended for wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy, for receiving and securing stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose. This information is now contained in NAVSANDA Publication No. 39, Naval Expenditures, statement 2. It is a part of the report submitted pursuant to the National Security Act Amendments of 1949 (63 Stat. 578; 5 U. S. C. 171).

Item No. 19: By the act of June 22, 1910, cited in item 18, the Secretary of the Navy is required to submit annually to the Congress a statement of all acts done in making sale of any vessel of the Navy. This information is presently being submitted in statement No. 5 of publication No. 39, described above. Section 4 of Public Law 3, 82d Congress, March 10, 1951, requires prior congressional authorization before disposal can be made of any vessel which has not been stricken from the Navy Register.

Item No. 20: By the act of March 4, 1911 (36 Stat. 1267; 31 U. S. C. 647) the Secretary of the Navy is required to report annually to the Congress the direct and indirect charges of the cost of work under the various naval appropriations. This information is presently being furnished as a part of statement No. 2 of publication No. 39, described above.

Item No. 21: The Secretary of each military department is required by section 2 of the act of May 28, 1948 (62 Stat. 276, 277; 5 U. S. C. 189 c and d) to submit annually to the Congress a summarized report of transportation services furnished under section 1 of the statute. The Army report is estimated to cost approximately \$126,875 per year. Any pertinent data which may be required in connection with

the rendition of transportation are available in the accounts when needed.

Item No. 22: By act of May 20, 1932 (47 Stat. 161; 40 U. S. C. 122) Federal and District authorities administering properties within the District of Columbia owned by the United States or the District of Columbia may transfer among or between them jurisdiction for purposes of administration and maintenance provided that a proposed transfer must be recommended by the National Capital Planning Commission. The act also provides that all such transfers and agreements must be reported to Congress by the authorities concerned. The Department of Defense recommended that this reporting requirement be included in the bill introduced during the last Congress, explaining that the government of the District of Columbia submits the required information to the Congress. Reports are not submitted by the Department of Defense, the National Park Service, or National Capital Planning Commission. The annual reports to the Congress submitted by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia include a listing of these transfers. The 1952 fiscal year report, page 293, under the heading "Surveyors Office," lists 20 different land transfers, 16 of which relate to transfers between the District government and the National Park Service. The transfers to the District are for street and alley purposes while those to the National Park Service are for park purposes. The report includes four transfers from the Chief of Engineers, Army, to the National Park Service or the District government. These transfers generally relate to small strips or triangles of land and are made to straighten out boundary lines or for aqueduct purposes. This item has been drafted to repeal the requirement that reports be submitted by the Federal authorities. The requirement that the report be submitted by the District of Columbia government would remain in effect.

Item No. 23: By act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 705; 34 U. S. C. 1076b), establishing the Naval Postgraduate School, the Secretary is required to report annually to the Congress the number and salaries of professors and instructors at the school. The Department of Defense, in recommending the inclusion of this item in the predecessor bill, pointed out that a similar requirement applied to the Naval War College and Naval Academy by act of August 29, 1916 (39 Stat. 607) as amended, but was repealed by act of August 2, 1946 (60 Stat. 854; 34 U. S. C. 1071).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Item No. 24: By the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act of July 19, 1940 (54 Stat. 774, 779; 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I"), the Secretary is required to submit annually to the Congress a financial statement and a complete report of operations. The basic data in the report are also available in the Bureau of Reclamation's accounts and in its annual report for each project to the Federal Power Commission. The cost of preparing this report was estimated to be \$1,500. About 40 copies are made available to the general public.

Item No. 25: By act of May 18, 1938 (52 Stat. 406; 16 U. S. C. 833g (c)), the Secretary must file annually with the Congress a financial statement and complete report as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding

fiscal year. The cost of preparing this report was estimated to be \$1,500. About 10 copies are made available to the general public. As in the case of the report under item 24, the basic data are contained in the Bureau of Reclamation's accounts and annual report to the Federal Power Commission.

Item No. 26: This paragraph was stricken by the committee since the report involved is of slight cost and the information is not shown to be readily available in other annual or published reports.

Item No. 27: By act of March 3, 1911 (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C. 143), the Secretary must transmit annually to the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds have been made by the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year. The report must include the total amount of money to the credit of each tribe at the close of the fiscal year, segregated by funds showing how and when each was established; the total disbursements from public or trust funds for each tribe showing the amounts disbursed for per capita payments in money to Indians, for salaries or compensation of officers and employees, for legal fees and for support and civilization of the Indians. The cost of preparing this report has been estimated to be \$6,300 a year. The financial data is otherwise available to the Congress in that detailed information is contained in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Balances of the United States Government. In addition, the annual budget estimates show detailed information on the expenditures of tribal trust and public funds.

Items Nos. 28 and 29: These paragraphs were stricken by the committee since the reports involved were of slight cost and the information is not shown to be readily available in other annual or published reports.

Item No. 30: By act of July 10, 1935 (49 Stat. 477, 478; 16 U. S. C. 19d), the National Park Trust Fund Board is required to submit an annual report to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it and of its operations. The Secretary in recommending the discontinuance of this requirement pointed out that the financial data are furnished annually by the Secretary of the Treasury in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Balances of the United States Government. Much of it is also contained in the annual budget submissions. The estimated cost of the present report is \$25.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Item No. 31. Under the provisions of the Suits in Admiralty Act of March 9, 1920 (41 Stat. 528; 46 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act of March 3, 1925 (43 Stat. 1113; 46 U. S. C. 790), the Attorney General is required to submit reports to the Congress of all suits under these acts in which final judgments have been rendered. These reports are included as a part of the annual report of the Attorney General. In his favorable recommendation on this item, he pointed out that the Congress will, however, continue to receive such information since the Department certifies each such judgment to the Congress in order that funds may be made available for discharging the judgments rendered against the United States.

(By act of June 25, 1948 (62 Stat. 852; 18 U. S. C. 4127), the Board of Directors of Federal Prison Industries, Inc., submits an annual report to Congress on the conduct of the business of the corporation and on the condition of its funds. The Attorney General in his recommendations points out that this report is printed as a part of the vocational training program of the prison inmates and that the expense of the report is paid from the earnings of the corporation. He also points out that the report serves a "definite useful purpose" in informing interested persons and organizations of the activities of the corporation. He made no recommendation relative to its discontinuance, believing the decision involves a question of legislative policy. The Director, Bureau of the Budget, in his letter of March 24, 1953, to the committee recommended that favorable consideration be given to the elimination of this report. This recommendation was based on the fact that the financial condition of the corporation, which forms a part of the report, is subject to audit by the General Accounting Office and to its reporting to the Congress pursuant to the Government Corporation Control Act. Since the Attorney General did not recommend the repeal of this reporting requirement but stated that the report serves a definite useful purpose to interested persons and organizations, the subcommittee has not included the report in the bill.)

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Item No. 32: By act of June 7, 1940 (54 Stat. 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b), the Secretary of Labor is directed to submit annually to the Congress a report on the finding of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of productivity and labor costs in various industries. The Secretary of Labor in his favorable recommendation on the item points out that the preparation of this special report would constitute a duplication of the data appearing in other reports and publications. Special reports under this item have not been made to the Congress by the Department. In lieu thereof the data is included in the annual report of the Secretary. In addition, the Department makes available to the Congress results of their work in the field of productivity measurement and analysis.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Item No. 33: The semiannual report of the National Munitions Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452), prepared by the Department of State, was first required by the Neutrality Act of 1939 (54 Stat. 10). The report contained data pertaining to the control of trade in arms, ammunition, and implements of war. The report was discontinued during the war by virtue of an amendment to the act effective May 27, 1941 (56 Stat. 19), which permitted the Secretary of State to discontinue the reports during the existence of a state of war. Due to legal cessation of hostilities the report was later resumed. The Secretary of State in his recommendation on this item points out that this report is cumbersome and should be eliminated. It contains approximately 300 pages and includes listings of licenses issued, names of persons and firms registered, and for each transaction it includes the name of the licensee and of the purchaser showing the money value and volume of the commodity involved. The estimated cost of the

report is \$850. However, he stated that the Department would plan to continue submitting to the Congress less detailed reports periodically.

REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Item No. 34: All regulations as to lifesaving appliances on ocean, lake, sound steamers, and foreign vessels issued by the Commandant of the Coast Guard must be transmitted to the Congress as soon as practicable after they are made (46 U. S. C. 481). The Secretary of the Treasury in his recommendation to the committee on this item pointed out that these regulations, as well as all other regulations applicable to the public, must be published in the Federal Register in compliance with the Federal Register Act and the Administrative Procedure Act. In addition, these regulations are available in pamphlet form at any time upon request. The regulations are no longer sent to the Congress but, in lieu thereof, the Congress is notified when new regulations are issued and where they may be located. In view thereof, the Secretary recommended that the requirement for the submission of the regulations be repealed.

REPORT UNDER THE MUTUAL SECURITY AGENCY

Item No. 35: This paragraph was stricken by the committee since the requirement for its submission was eliminated by the Mutual Security Act of 1951, section 518 (65 Stat. 383; 22 U. S. C. 1669).

REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Item No. 36: By act of June 15, 1929 (46 Stat. 18; 12 U. S. C. 1141i) the Comptroller General is required to make an examination of the expenditures by the Farm Credit Administration from the agricultural marketing revolving fund and to report to the Congress any such expenditures made in violation of law. The Comptroller General in his letter of March 19, 1953 (A-21197 and 30011), recommended to the committee that the requirement for this report be repealed since a similar report is included in the reports to Congress submitted by him under the provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act (31 U. S. C. 841). The separate report prescribed by the act of June 15, 1929, has not been made in recent years.

Item No. 37: By act of June 26, 1934, the Permanent Appropriations Repeal Act (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w), the Comptroller General is required to submit to the Congress annually, in a special report, recommendations for changes in existing law relating to inactive and permanent appropriations or funds on the books of the Government, and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office. The Comptroller General in his recommendations of March 19, 1953, stated that no reports have been submitted under this requirement in recent years since the basic purpose of the survey and report by the General Accounting Office has been accomplished and there now is adequate accounting of Government funds by

officers and employees of the Government. Accordingly, he recommended that this requirement be repealed.

Item No. 38: By acts of May 18, 1933 (48 Stat. 63, 64), and August 31, 1935 (49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C. 831h), the Comptroller General is required to make a special report to the President and to the Congress of any transaction or condition of the Tennessee Valley Authority in conflict with its statutory powers or duties. The Comptroller General in his recommendations of March 19, 1953, stated that the information required in this report is now included in the annual reports he submits to the Congress in accordance with the provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act (31 U. S. C. 841). Accordingly, he recommended that the reporting requirement in the earlier legislation be repealed.





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[Report No. 1193]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 1953

Mrs. HARDEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

FEBRUARY 8, 1954

Reported with amendments, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed.

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A BILL

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following reports or statements now required by
4 law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts
5 herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or
6 statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such
7 requirement:

8 REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND
9 INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

10 1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency
11 as required by the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as
12 amended (62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2673).

1 2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of
2 each executive department or independent establishment
3 of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such
4 department or establishment under all Acts of Congress (47
5 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a).

6 3. The quarterly report to Congress by each depart-
7 ment and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief
8 has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as
9 amended, together with the amount of such relief and a
10 brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision
11 (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106).

12 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

13 4. The annual report to Congress of the activities of,
14 expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research
15 laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act
16 of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)).

17 5. The annual report to the Congress of all persons
18 against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm
19 Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the
20 address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of
21 the compromise and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7
22 U. S. C. 1015 (g)).

23 6. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required
24 to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect

1 to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund
2 (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a).

3 7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
4 to the President accounting for all moneys received and ex-
5 pended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557).

6 8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
7 to the Congress on research work being performed under
8 contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the Act of
9 August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j
10 and 1624).

11 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

12 9. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways
13 required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first
14 Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement
15 of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the
16 allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the
17 expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year,
18 an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including
19 a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses,
20 and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amend-
21 ing or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat.
22 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-
23 first Congress; Reorganization Plan Numbered 7 of 1949).

24 10. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordina-

tion of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127).

11. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act.

12. Annual report submitted in accordance with section 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction.

13. Annual report concerning messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first Congress (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).

14. The requirement that two thousand eight hundred copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247).

15. The annual coast survey report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

1 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

2 16. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense
3 to the ~~Committee~~ *Committees* on Appropriations and Armed
4 Services of the amounts obligated under the contract authori-
5 zations provided for in the Supplemental National Defense
6 Appropriation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547), Eightieth Con-
7 gress), as required by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a
8 Note).

9 17. The following statements of expenses included in
10 the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of:
11 (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tribu-
12 taries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of the channel
13 through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and sur-
14 veys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C.
15 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and
16 certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) opera-
17 tion of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain
18 other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); (5) operating, maintaining,
19 keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc.,
20 other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

21 18. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429 (5
22 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress
23 in the form of a statement of amounts expended for wages of

1 mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or
2 equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and securing
3 stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase
4 of materials and stores for the same purpose.

5 19. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of the
6 Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of any
7 vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429, 5
8 U. S. C. 466).

9 20. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the
10 Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval
11 appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code,
12 section 647.

13 21. Annual report of the Secretary of each military
14 department of transportation services furnished under Pub-
15 lic Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as
16 required by section 2 of that Act.

17 22. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of
18 transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within
19 the District of Columbia among Federal and District authori-
20 ties pursuant to title 40, United States Code, section 122.

21 23. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pur-
22 suant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C.
23 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of professors
24 and instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School.

1 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

2 24. The annual report and financial statement by the
3 Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of
4 the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779;
5 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

6 25. The annual report and financial statement by the
7 Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of
8 electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during
9 the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16
10 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

11 26. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
12 to the Congress giving in detail a list of lands exchanged
13 under the Recreational Act of June 14, 1926 (44 Stat. 741,
14 43 U. S. C. 869).

15 27 26. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
16 to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal
17 affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures
18 from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by
19 any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department
20 during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C.
21 143).

22 28. The report of the Secretary of the Interior of all
23 withdrawals by the President of public lands from settlement,
24 location, sale or entry for reserve for waterpower sites,

1 irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes
2 (~~36 Stat. 847; 43 U. S. C. 143~~).

3 ~~29.~~ The report of the Secretary of the Interior as to
4 lands within any Indian reservation reserved from location,
5 sale, entry, allotment, or other appropriation for use in con-
6 nection with any irrigation project heretofore or hereafter
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8 ~~30~~ 27. The annual report by the National Park Trust
9 Fund Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities re-
10 ceived and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16
11 U. S. C. 19d).

12 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

13 ~~31~~ 28. The annual report of the Attorney General to Con-
14 gress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46
15 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C.
16 790), in which final judgment has been rendered.

17 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

18 ~~32~~ 29. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of
19 the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of
20 productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat.
21 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

22 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

23 ~~33~~ 30. The semiannual report of the National Munitions
24 Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452).

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2 38 34. Report by the Comptroller General of any trans-
3 action or condition found to be in conflict with the powers
4 or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by
5 law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C.
6 831h).

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[Report No. 1193]

A BILL

To discontinue certain reports now required
by law.

By Mrs. HARDEN

JULY 14, 1953

Referred to the Committee on Government Operations

FEBRUARY 8, 1954

Reported with amendments, committed to the Com-
mittee of the Whole House on the State of the
Union, and ordered to be printed

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HIGHLIGHTS: House received conference report on CCC indebtedness measure. Sen. Aiken and Rep. Hope introduced wool bill. Rep. Johnson (Wis.) recommended 100% mandatory price supports for dairy products, and Rep. Javits opposed this and urged butter consumption. Senate discussed CCC borrowing authority bill. Senate discussed bill to rotate CCC stocks.

SENATE

1. COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION; COFFEE PRICES. Discussed and passed over S. 2714, to increase CCC borrowing authority (pp. 1433-4); S. 1381, to provide for rotation of CCC stocks (p. 1444); and S. 1386, to extend the Commodity Exchange Act to coffee (p. 1438).
2. NOMINATIONS. Confirmed the nominations of Neil H. Jacoby and Walter W. Stewart to the Council of Economic Advisers (p. 1444).
3. TREATIES. Continued debate on S. J. Res. 1, the Bricker amendment to limit treaty powers (pp. 1432-3).

HOUSE

4. COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION. Received the conference report on H. J. Res. 358, to discharge certain CCC indebtedness. The statement of House conferees is as follows: "Authorizes restoration of capital impairment of the Commodity Credit Corporation in the amount of \$550,151,848, instead of \$609,930,933 as proposed by the House and \$114,283,062 as proposed by the Senate. The amount agreed upon in this amendment, together with the other two items provided in the joint resolution, provides a total capital restoration of \$681,769,703, instead of \$741,548,788 as proposed by the House and \$245,900,917 as proposed by the Senate." (H. Rept. 1184; p. 1347.)
5. PRICE SUPPORTS. Rep. Johnson, Wis., recommended 100% mandatory price supports for dairy products (pp. 1349-50), and Rep. Javits opposed this and urged consumption of surplus butter (pp. 1352-3).

6. PERSONNEL. The Post Office and Civil Service Committee reported with amendments H. R. 7554, to provide for pay of certain employees on days when Government agencies are closed by administrative order (H. Rept. 1185)(pp. 1361-2).
7. FOREIGN ECONOMIC POLICY. Received a minority report from the Commission on Foreign Economic Policy (H. Doc. 290, pt. 11)(p. 1361).
8. RESEARCH LANDS. The Interior and Insular Affairs Committee reported with amendment H. R. 4984, to remove the reversion clause in connection with a tract of USDA research land which had been transferred to Miles City, Mont. (H. Rept. 1187)(p. 1362).
9. REPORTS. The Government Operations Committee reported with amendment H. R. 6290, to discontinue various reports now required by law (H. Rept. 1193)(p. 1362).
10. EXTENSION WORK. The Government Operations Committee reported without amendment H. J. Res. 300, directing GSA to convey a tract of surplus land to the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation for use by 4-H Clubs, etc. (H. Rept. 1194)(p. 1362).

COMMITTEE HEARINGS RELEASED BY GPO

11. PERSONNEL. Performance Rating Act of 1950, H. R. 7264, H. R. 7824./ H. Post Office and Civil Service Committee. 81st Cong.
12. ELECTRIFICATION. Power Policy. H. Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.
13. COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION Borrowing Power, S. 2714. S. Agriculture and Forestry Committee.
14. FARM PROGRAM, Long Range, Serial R, Part 12. H. Agriculture Committee.
15. SURPLUS COMMODITIES, Exchange of. S. Armed Services Committee.

BILLS INTRODUCED

16. WOOL. S. 2911, by Sen. Aiken, and H. R. 7775, by Rep. Hope, "to provide for the development of a sound and profitable domestic wool industry under our national policy of expanding world trade; to encourage increased domestic production of wool for our national security"; to Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee and House Agriculture Committee (pp. 1362, 1413-14).
17. FOOD DISTRIBUTION. H. R. 7767, by Rep. Bolling, to provide for distribution of surplus commodities through a food-allotment program; to Agriculture Committee (p. 1362).
18. PURCHASING. H. R. 7790, by Rep. Smith, Miss., to provide for placing certain contracts in low-income States; to Government Operations Committee (p. 1363).
19. PUBLIC WORKS. S. 1913, by Sen. Douglas, and H. R. 7766, by Rep. Bolling, to establish a public-works program; to Public Works Committee (pp. 1362, 1414).
20. FARM LABOR. H. R. 7768, by Rep. Budge, to exempt certain irrigation works from the Fair Labor Standards Act; to Education and Labor Committee (p. 1362).
21. FARM TRAINING. H. R. 7769, by Rep. Dolliver, to provide for apprentice or other training on the job in agricultural occupations; and H. R. 7770, by Rep. Dolliver, to provide institutional on-farm training for the veteran who performs part of his course as employee of another; to Veterans' Affairs Committee (p. 1362).

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HIGHLIGHTS: House committee reported Mexican farm labor measure. Rep. Jones (Mo.) introduced and discussed bill on emergency feed and fertilizer loans. Rep. Sullivan introduced and discussed food-stamp plan bill. Reps. Harrison (Nebr.) and Hill introduced bills to use surplus commodities to improve foreign relations and Reps. Hill and Hoffman discussed bill.

HOUSE

- FARM LABOR.** The Agriculture Committee reported without amendment H. J. Res. 355, amending the act providing for Mexican farm labor in this country by striking out the parenthetical clause "(pursuant to arrangements between the United States and the Republic of Mexico)" and inserting in lieu thereof "(pursuant to arrangements between the United States and the Republic of Mexico or after every practicable effort has been made by the United States to negotiate and reach agreement on such arrangements)". (H. Rept. 1199) (p. 1614).
- ROAD AUTHORIZATIONS.** Rep. McGregor discussed his bill, H. R. 7818, authorizing appropriations for roads during fiscal years 1956 and 1957, and inserted a table comparing the road program now in effect with the program provided for under this bill (pp. 1599-1600).
- PERSONNEL.** Rep. Sikes spoke criticizing the Administration for not giving the "public concrete facts and figures on security risks and security firings" (p. 1601).
Rep. O'Hara inserted a Christian Science Monitor editorial questioning the statement of R. W. Scott McLeod (State Dept. Security and Personnel Administrator) to the effect that the American people are not interested in a breakdown of the 2,200 Federal employees separated as security risks (p. 1603).

4. REORGANIZATION. Received a budget estimate of \$1,831,909 from the President for the Commission on Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government for the 1954 fiscal year (H. Doc. 322) (p. 1613).
5. RECLAMATION. Received a soil survey and land classification from the Interior Department on lands to be benefited in the Corning Canal area, Central Valley project, Calif. (p. 1613).
6. REPORTS. H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports now required by law, as reported (see Digest 23) would include the following reports of interest to this Department:
 - General: Annual report by each Federal agency on all claims of \$1,000 or less paid from agency funds under the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946.
 - Departmental: Annual report to Congress of the activities of, the expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research laboratories; annual report of all borrowers under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act against whom claims in excess of \$1000 have been compromised; a statement in the annual report with respect to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund; Annual report of the Secretary to the President accounting for all moneys received and expended by him and an annual report on research work being performed under contracts or cooperative agreements under the authority of the Research and Marketing Act.
 - Other: Report by the Comptroller General on Farm Credit Administration transactions under the agriculture marketing revolving fund, in violation of law; and an annual report by the Secretary of Commerce giving a breakdown of work and expenditures under the Federal-aid highways.
7. ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY. Received a Md. Legislature memorial opposing this project (p. 1615).
8. ADJOURNED until Tues., Feb. 16 (p. 1613). The Treasury-Post Office appropriation bill is to be considered beginning Wed. (p. D141).

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9. FARM PROGRAM. Rep. Stringfellow inserted the Secretary's speech "Quality Farmer" delivered at Tuskegee Institute, discussing present farm problems, and praising the work small farmers are doing to help themselves (pp. A1145-48).
 - Rep. Rhodes inserted a New Leader article evaluating the first year accomplishments of the Administration, including its farm program (pp. A1148-49).
10. POSTAL RATES. Rep. Price inserted a newspaper editorial opposing higher mail rates (pp. A1099-100).
11. ORGANIZATION. Rep. Keogh inserted a newspaper editorial praising the choice of Herbert Hoover and James Farley for the new commission on governmental organization (p. A1101).
12. ECONOMIC OUTLOOK. Rep. Bow inserted a newspaper article stating that former President Truman's economic adviser, Leon Keyserling, believes there will be no recession (p. A1102).
13. ALASKA. Extension of remarks by Rep. Price urging consideration of the Alaska statehood bill (pp. A1104).

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H. R. 3696

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 5, 1953

Mrs. HARDEN introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Government Operations

A BILL

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following reports or statements now required by
4 law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts
5 herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or
6 statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such
7 requirement:

8 REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND
9 INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

10 1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency
11 as required by title 28, United States Code, section 2673.

1 2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of
2 each executive department or independent establishment of
3 a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such
4 department or establishment under all Acts of Congress
5 (47 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a).

6 3. The quarterly report to Congress by each department
7 and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief
8 has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as
9 amended, together with the amount of such relief and a
10 brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision
11 (60 Stat. 902, 41 U. S. C. 106).

12 4. Annual report of the head of each executive depart-
13 ment pursuant to the Act of July 11, 1919 (41 Stat. 130;
14 10 U. S. C. 1264), of sale or lease of real property acquired
15 for Army storage purposes (10 U. S. C. 1263).

16 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

17 5. The annual report to Congress of the activities of,
18 expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research
19 laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act
20 of 1938. (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292c.)

21 6. The annual report to the Congress of all persons
22 against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Ten-
23 ant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the
24 address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount

1 of the compromise, and the reason therefor. (60 Stat.
2 1066.)

3 7. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture, re-
4 quired to be included in his annual report to Congress, with
5 respect to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance
6 Fund. (60 Stat. L. 1076.)

7 8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
8 to the President accounting for all moneys received and
9 expended by him. (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557.)

10 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

11 9. The annual report by the Commissioner of Patents
12 to Congress giving a detailed statement of all moneys re-
13 ceived for patents, for copies of records or drawings, or from
14 any other source whatever; a detailed statement of all ex-
15 penditures for contingent and miscellaneous expenses; a list
16 of all patents which were granted during the preceding year,
17 designating under proper heads the subjects of such patents;
18 an alphabetical list of all the patentees, with their places
19 of residence; a list of all patents which have been extended
20 during the year; and such other information of the condition
21 of the Patent Office as may be useful to Congress or the
22 public. (Sec. 494 of the Revised Statutes, 35 U. S. C. 20.)

23 10. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways
24 required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first

1 Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement
2 of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the
3 allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the
4 expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year,
5 an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including
6 a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses,
7 and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amend-
8 ing or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat.
9 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-
10 first Congress; Reorganization Plan Numbered 7 of 1949).

11 11. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordina-
12 tion of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign
13 commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the
14 Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171;
15 46 U. S. C. 1127).

16 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

17 12. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance
18 with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (49 U. S. C.
19 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal
20 Airport Act.

21 13. Annual report submitted in accordance with section
22 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress
23 with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways
24 construction.

1 14. Annual report concerning messing facilities in
2 Alaska, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Com-
3 merce in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first
4 Congress.

5 15. Quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense to the
6 Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services of the
7 amounts obligated under the contract authorizations provided
8 for in the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act,
9 1948 (Public Law 547, Eightieth Congress), as required
10 by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a Note).

11 16. The following statements of expenses included in
12 the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of:
13 (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its
14 tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4) ; (2) maintenance of the chan-
15 nel through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and
16 surveys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33
17 U. S. C. 602) ; (3) removal of obstructions from the Mis-
18 sissippi and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606) ;
19 (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River
20 and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605) ; (5) operating,
21 maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks,
22 canals, etc., other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

23 17. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes, 429
24 (5 U. S. C. 466) of the Secretary of the Navy to the

1 Congress in the form of a statement of amounts expended for
2 wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, re-
3 pairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving
4 and securing stores and materials for those purposes and
5 for the purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose.

6 18. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of
7 the Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale
8 of any vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes
9 429, 5 U. S. C. 466).

10 19. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the
11 Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval
12 appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code,
13 section 647.

14 20. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to
15 the Congress pursuant to title 5, United States Code,
16 section 454, of the money value of supplies on hand at the
17 beginning of each fiscal year, the dispositions thereof, and
18 of the purchases and the expenditures of supplies for the
19 year, and the balances remaining at the end thereof.

20 21. Annual report of the Secretary of each military
21 department of transportation services furnished under Pub-
22 lic Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as
23 required by section 2 of that Act.

24 22. Semiannual report of the Secretary of each military
25 department to the Congress pursuant to Public Law 364,

1 Eightieth Congress, on all real and personal property leases
2 to third parties.

3 23. Report pursuant to title 10, United States Code,
4 section 1603, of the Secretary of the Army to the Congress
5 of the sale or transfer of certain real property.

6 24. Report of the Secretary of the Army to the Con-
7 gress pursuant to title 10, United States Code, section 1604,
8 of intent to transfer or sell Army installations which have
9 become useless.

10 25. Report to the Congress of transfer of jurisdiction
11 over government properties within the District of Columbia
12 among Federal and District authorities pursuant to title 40,
13 United States Code, section 122.

14 26. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pur-
15 suant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C.
16 1076b) concerning the number and salaries of professors and
17 instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School.

18 **REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

19 27. The annual report and financial statement by the
20 Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of
21 the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779,
22 43 U. S. C. 6181).

23 28. The annual report and financial statement by the
24 Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of
25 electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during

1 the preceding governmental fiscal year. (52 Stat. 406;
2 16 U. S. C. 833 (c).)

3 29. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
4 to the Congress giving in detail a list of lands exchanged
5 under the Recreational Act of June 14, 1926 (44 Stat. 741;
6 43 U. S. C. 869).

7 30. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior
8 to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal
9 affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures
10 from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by
11 any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department
12 during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C.
13 143).

14 31. The report of the Secretary of the Interior of all
15 withdrawals by the President of public lands from settlement,
16 location, sale, or entry for reserve for water-power sites,
17 irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes
18 (36 Stat. 847).

19 32. The report of the Secretary of the Interior as to
20 lands within any Indian reservation reserved from location,
21 sale, entry, allotment, or other appropriation for use in
22 connection with any irrigation project heretofore or hereafter
23 authorized by Congress (36 Stat. 858).

24 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

25 33. The annual report of the Attorney General to Con-

gress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46 U. S. C. 752) and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C. 790) in which final judgment has been rendered.

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12 no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office,
13 as in the judgment of the Comptroller General, after a survey
14 thereof, may be in the public interest. (48 Stat. L. 1236.)

15 41. Report by the Comptroller General of any transac-
16 tion or condition found to be in conflict with the powers or
17 duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by law.
18 (48 Stat. L. 63, 64; 49 Stat. L. 1080, 1081.)

19 REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

20 42. The quarterly report of the Administrator of the
21 General Services Administration to the Senate and House of
22 Representatives on the exercise of his duties and authority
23 under the Contract Settlement Act of 1944, the status of
24 contract terminations, termination settlements, and interim
25 financing and such other pertinent information on the admin-

1 istration of the Act as will enable the Congress to evaluate
2 its administration and the need for amendments and related
3 legislation. (58 Stat. 649; 41 U. S. C. 102 (b) .)

4 43. The annual report to the Congress by the National
5 Archives trust fund board of the moneys, securities, and other
6 personal property received and held by it and of its opera-
7 tions. (55 Stat. 582; 44 U. S. C. 300 jj.)

8 44. The annual report of the General Services Admin-
9 istration submitted to the President in time to accompany his
10 annual message to Congress of his operations for the pre-
11 ceding year, with an account of the manner in which all
12 appropriations for public buildings and grounds have been
13 applied, including a statement of the number of public lots
14 sold, or remaining unsold each year, of the conditions of
15 such public buildings and grounds and of the measures neces-
16 sary to be taken for the care and preservation of all such
17 properties under his charge. (Sec. 1812 of the Revised
18 Statutes, 40 U. S. C. 20.)

19 45. The annual report of the Administrator of General
20 Services under the following titles, the number of custom-
21 houses, courthouses, post offices, and buildings used for two
22 or more of said objects: The actual cost of construction, cost
23 of alterations and repairs, cost of sites, and date of purchase,
24 as to each of said buildings, and the aggregate of such
25 expenditures under each of said titles; also the same informa-

1 tion, under their respective titles, as to marine hospitals,
2 quarantine stations, and all other buildings under the control
3 of the General Services Administration. (40 U. S. C. 287;
4 53 Stat. 1426, 1427.)

5 46. The report of the Archivist to the Congress, at the
6 beginning of each regular session, for the preceding fiscal
7 year as to the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, which report
8 shall include a detailed statement of all accessions, all dis-
9 positions of historical material, and all receipts and expendi-
10 tures on account of the said library. (53 Stat. L. 1065.)

11 47. The report of the Archivist to the Congress, at the
12 beginning of each regular session, for the preceding fiscal
13 year as to the National Archives, including a detailed state-
14 ment of all accessions and receipts and expenditures on
15 account of such establishment (48 Stat. 1123, 44 U. S. C.
16 300i).

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HIGHLIGHTS: Senate debated wool bill and amendment to continue 90% price supports. House passed bill to discontinue certain USDA reports to Congress. House passed bill to permit court review of Government contracts. Rep. Hope inserted his speech on watershed conservation.

SENATE

1. PRICE SUPPORTS. Continued debate on S. 2911, the wool price supports bill, and the Ellender amendment to continue mandatory price supports at 90% of parity on certain commodities for two additional years (pp. 5173-8, 5182-94, 5196-205).
Sen. Carlson inserted resolutions of the Farmers Cooperative Commission Co. and the Kansas Farmers Service Assn. favoring continuation of 90% supports (p. 5164).
- GAO REPORT. Both Houses received the 1953 annual report of the Comptroller General (pp. 5164, 5237).
3. FOREIGN REPORTING SERVICE. The Investigations Division of the Senate Appropriations Committee has released a committee print of a report, "Foreign Reporting Service," discussing the needs of this Department and others for foreign reporting and the activities of the State Department in this connection. File copies of the committee print are available for lending purposes from the Legislative Reporting Staff, B&F.

HOUSE

4. ROAD AUTHORIZATIONS. Agreed to S. Con. Res. 78, authorizing a correction in the enrolling of H. R. 8127, the road-authorization bill, before sending it to the President (p. 5207).
5. CONTRACTS. Passed as reported S. 24, to permit court review of decisions of department heads, or their representatives or boards, involving questions arising under Government contracts (p. 5212).
6. RECLAMATION. Passed as reported H. R. 6786, authorizing Interior to purchase

improvements or pay damages for removal of improvements located on public lands in the Palisades project area, Idaho (p. 5214).

7. DISBURSING. Passed with amendment S. 2844, to make permanent the authority for U. S. disbursing officers to cash and negotiate checks, drafts, and bills of exchange and other instruments payable in U. S. and foreign currencies for official purposes or for the accommodation of military or civilian personnel and personnel of contractors, and to conduct exchange operations, etc. (pp. 5214-5).
8. PROPERTY. Passed with amendments H. R. 5605, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act to provide that transfers of real property from certain Government corporations to other Government agencies shall not operate to remove such real property from local tax rolls (pp. 5210-2).
9. APPROPRIATIONS. The Appropriations Committee reported without amendment H. R. 8873, the Defense Department appropriation bill for 1955 (H. Rept. 1545)(p. 5237).
10. REPORTS. Passed as reported H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports now required by law (pp. 5212-3). The following are among the reports which would be discontinued: Reports to Congress on the four regional research laboratories, claims over 1,000 compromised under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act, status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund, and contract research under the Research and Marketing Act of 1946; and reports to the President accounting for funds received and expended.
Received the following reports: From Interior on potential irrigation near the Chief Joseph Dam (H. Doc. 374); from Army on flood control on the upper Iowa River (H. Doc. 375); from Commerce on export control (pp. 5236-7).

BILLS INTRODUCED

11. MINERALS. S. 3344, by Sen. Millikin (for himself and others), and S. 3347, by Sen. Dworshak (for himself and Sen. Anderson), to amend the mineral leasing laws to provide for multiple mineral development of the same tracts of public lands; to Interior and Insular Affairs Committee (p. 5165).
12. LIVESTOCK. S. 3348, by Sen. McCarran, to adjust claims against the Atomic Energy Commission for injury to or loss of livestock; to Joint Committee on Atomic Energy (p. 5165).
13. WATER-FACILITIES LOANS. H. R. 8874, by Rep. Battle, to extend the Water Facilities/^{Act} to the entire country and increase the project limit; to Agriculture Committee (p. 5237).
14. FARM LOANS. H. R. 8879, by Rep. Dempsey, to authorize FCA to make loans of the type formerly made by the Land Bank Commissioner; to Agriculture Committee (p. 5237).
15. FORESTRY. H. R. 8880, by Rep. Hope, to provide for the sale of certain lands in national forests; to Agriculture Committee (p. 5237).
16. CONTRACTS. H. R. 8882, by Rep. Philbin, to provide that preference be given in the awarding of Government procurement contracts to firms which will perform a substantial portion of the production on such contracts in areas having a labor surplus; to Judiciary Committee (p. 5238).

"Sec. 704. Taxation of property transferred from Government corporations.

"Sec. 705. General provisions.

"Sec. 706. Effective date and expiration of this title."

"Sec. 2. Such act is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new title:

"TITLE VII—TAXATION BY LOCAL TAXING AUTHORITIES

"DECLARATION OF POLICY

"Sec. 701. The Congress recognizes that the transfer of real property having a taxable status from a Government corporation to another Government agency often operates to remove such property from the tax rolls of local taxing authorities, thereby creating an undue and unexpected burden upon such local taxing authorities and causing disruption of their operations. It is the purpose of this title to furnish temporary measures of relief for such local taxing authorities by providing that when property having a taxable status is so transferred by a Government corporation, for the duration of this title such property shall be subject to taxation by local taxing authorities while it is leased for commercial purposes, and in certain other cases, payments in lieu of taxes shall be made with respect to such property, regardless of subsequent transfers of such property among agencies of the Federal Government.

"DEFINITIONS

"Sec. 702. As used in this title—

"(a) the term "State" means the several States, Alaska, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia;

"(b) the term "real property" means land, and includes those improvements on land and interests in land which, for the purposes of taxation, are characterized as real property by the State in which the land is located;

"(c) the term "local taxing authority" means a State, county, municipality, or other subdivision of a State, county, or municipality, which subdivision has authority to levy and collect taxes upon real property;

"(d) the terms "tax" and "taxation" include special assessments.

"(e) the term "Government corporation" means the Central Bank for Cooperatives and Regional Banks for Cooperatives; Commodity Credit Corporation; Federal Farm Mortgage Corporation; Federal home loan banks; Federal land banks; Federal National Mortgage Association; Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation; Production Credit Corporation; and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation; and such term includes any corporation (1) which is incorporated after the effective date of this title by or under an act of Congress, and (2) which is owned or controlled by the Federal Government; and

"(f) the term "Federal Government" includes any Government corporation.

"TAXATION OF PROPERTY OF GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

"Sec. 703. When a Government corporation is incorporated after the effective date of this title, unless specifically provided otherwise, all real property owned by such Government corporation shall be subject to taxation by local taxing authorities to the same extent according to its value as other real property.

"TAXATION OF PROPERTY TRANSFERRED FROM GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS

"Sec. 704. (a) When real property which is taxable by local taxing authorities is transferred from a Government corporation to any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the Federal Government, during all periods in which the real property is leased for commercial purposes, such real property shall remain subject to taxation by local taxing authorities to the same extent according to its value as other real property

is taxed, notwithstanding such transfer or any subsequent transfer of such property to a department, agency, or other instrumentality of the Federal Government.

"(b) In the case of real property which is taxable by local taxing authorities and which is transferred from a Government corporation to any department, agency, or other instrumentality of the Federal Government, so long as the Federal ownership of such real property continues, the Federal Government shall make payments in lieu of taxes with respect to such real property for all periods during which such real property is not subject to taxation under subsection (a). The payments in lieu of taxes shall equal the amounts which would be payable as real property taxes if the real property were privately owned, less appropriate deductions (1) for benefits to local taxing authorities arising out of the operations of the Federal Government with respect to such real property (including payments of a portion of the revenue derived from the use or products of such real property), and (2) for the cost to the Federal Government of furnishing services with respect to such real property which are normally furnished by local taxing authorities.

"(c) This section shall take effect as of June 22, 1948, except that no taxes shall be paid, or payments in lieu of taxes made, for any period prior to the effective date of this title.

"GENERAL PROVISIONS

"Sec. 705. (a) The Federal Government shall not be subject to penalties or penalty interest nor shall its property (including rights of action) be subject to any lien, foreclosure, garnishment, or other proceedings because of its nonpayment or failure to make timely payment of taxes on real property; nor shall any subsequent purchaser be liable for such penalties or penalty interest.

"(b) No payments in lieu of taxes shall be made under this title with respect to any real property of the following types:

"(1) Real property which is taxable by local taxing authorities under other provisions of law, or with respect to which payments in lieu of taxes are payable under other provisions of law.

"(2) Real property used or held primarily for purposes for which property under private ownership would be exempt from taxation under the constitution or laws of the State where the property is located.

"(3) Real property used or held primarily for services to the local public, including but not limited to the following: Defense installations; courthouses; post offices, and property incidental to postal operations; federally owned airports maintained and operated by the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

"(4) Office buildings and facilities which are incidental to or an integral part of the properties described in this subsection.

"EFFECTIVE DATE AND EXPIRATION OF THIS TITLE

"Sec. 706. This title shall take effect on January 1, 1954, and shall expire on December 31, 1956."

Mr. CANNON. Mr. Speaker, I move to strike out the last word.

Mr. Speaker, the Vice President, speaking for the administration last week announced, evidently in conformity with a carefully considered plan that under no circumstances would the United States consent to the subjugation of Indochina by Communist forces. He made it plain that with the approval and cooperation of our friends and allies, or without their approval and cooperation, it was the settled policy and considered purpose of the United States to intervene, if necessary,

to preserve the integrity of Indochina. He declared, in brief, that the United States would have to send combat troops into Indochina if the French proved incapable of protecting southeast Asia from Communist pressure.

In corroboration of this statement of policy the newspapers yesterday carried a further quotation from the Vice President to the effect that the interview was not a trial balloon, through which the administration sought to ascertain the trend of public opinion at home or abroad, but a plain unequivocal announcement on the part of the United States of its purpose, aided or unaided, to oppose communist expansion in Southeast Asia even to the point of sending in ground troops.

The Vice President's comments and assurances seemed all the more timely in view of the fact that the United States has been paying, and continues to pay, 78 percent of the cost of the war in Indochina.

Consequently it was a matter of some surprise to note in this morning's papers the statement—and I read from the Washington Post and Times-Herald—that the United States will not enter the Indochina War to save any or all of that country from conquest by the Communist forces—apparently a complete reversal of the policy proclaimed last week.

Now I am not discussing the merits or demerits of the issues involved.

I am merely saying that the country should know—and House must know what is proposed to be done with and in Indochina. The newspapers have been featuring articles for the last several days guardedly anticipating the extermination of the gallant garrison at Dien Bien Phu. It is evident that the people of the United States are being prepared and conditioned for the inevitable.

But the fall of this doomed bastion, so valiantly defended, marks the end of a chapter in Asiatic history. It is a dead line. It is the point at which the United States must take a position and stand on it. And our decision as to what that position will be is of far reaching consequence.

The armed-services appropriation bill was reported out by the committee today and will be taken up for consideration here in the House next Wednesday. Under the circumstances it is perhaps the most important bill which will come before Congress during this session.

The bill reported this morning is based on the expectation that we are to enjoy continuing peace for the coming fiscal year. If that expectation is not to be realized it will be necessary to revise important items in the bill.

The time is short. The committee and the House should know without delay what to expect. Is it the intention to defend Indochina under all contingencies as indicated last week. Or has it been determined, as reported in this morning's releases that we will not enter the Indochina war to save that country or any part of it.

I trust we are to have some definite and authoritative information on which to formulate a bill here in the House

rather than send it to another body for any material revision which a change in policy may dictate.

The SPEAKER. The time of the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. CANNON] has expired.

(Mr. CANNON asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I offer an amendment to the committee amendment.

The Clerk read as follows:

Amendment offered by Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan to the committee amendment: Page 7, line 11 of the committee amendment, strike out "furnished" and insert "furnish."

The amendment to the committee amendment was agreed to.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949 to provide for payment of taxes or payments in lieu of taxes with respect to real property transferred from Government corporations to other agencies of the Federal Government."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

[Mr. TOLLEFSON addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Appendix.]

FINALITY CLAUSES IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

The Clerk called the bill (S. 24) to permit review of decisions of Government contracting officers involving questions of fact arising under Government contracts in cases other than those in which fraud is alleged, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. HARDY. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, I wonder if somebody will explain just what this bill does?

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. Speaker, growing out of a case in 1951, there was a great deal of confusion arose with reference to Government contracts. The Senate passed a bill which came to the House. In the House we passed our own bill. The Comptroller General of the United States made suggestions which were adopted and which were satisfactory to the Senate and to the House. As a consequence, we are here with the unanimous approval of both the House, the Senate, and the Comptroller General.

Mr. HARDY. That is the point I wanted to get clear. I recall that some years ago the Committee on Expenditures gave quite a bit of consideration to this subject, and I wanted to be sure, if this does conform to the objections raised by the Comptroller General.

Mr. GRAHAM. We can assure you that that is the case, because the Comptroller General had the last word. He made the final suggestions and the suggested amendment which we adopted.

Mr. HARDY. I withdraw my reservation of objection, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That no provision of any contract entered into by the United States, relating to the finality or conclusiveness, in a dispute involving a question arising under such contract, of any decision of an administrative official, representative, or board, shall be pleaded as limiting judicial review of any such decision to cases in which fraud by such official, representative, or board is alleged; and any such provision shall be void with respect to any such decision which the General Accounting Office or a court, having jurisdiction, finds fraudulent, grossly erroneous, so mistaken as necessarily to imply bad faith, or not supported by reliable, probative, and substantial evidence.

SEC. 2. No Government contract shall contain a provision making final on a question of law the decision of an administrative official, representative, or board.

With the following committee amendment:

Page 1, line 3, strike out all after the enacting clause and insert "That no provision of any contract entered into by the United States, relating to the finality or conclusiveness of any decision of the head of any department or agency or his duly authorized representative or board in a dispute involving a question arising under such contract, shall be pleaded in any suit now filed or to be filed as limiting judicial review of any such decision to cases where fraud by such official or his said representative or board is alleged: *Provided, however,* That any such decision shall be final and conclusive unless the same is fraudulent or capricious or arbitrary or so grossly erroneous as necessarily to imply bad faith, or is not supported by substantial evidence.

"SEC. 2. No Government contract shall contain a provision making final on a question of law the decision of any administrative official, representative, or board."

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "An act to permit review of decisions of the heads of departments, or their representatives or boards, involving questions arising under Government contracts."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DISCONTINUING CERTAIN REPORTS NOW REQUIRED BY LAW

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 6290) to discontinue certain reports now required by law.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana. Reserving the right to object, Mr. Speaker, I would like for the chairman of the committee to explain what reports are being eliminated.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, the report came from the full committee but the work was done under the direction of Mr. Ray Ward for the Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations of which the gentleman from Indiana [Mrs. HARDEN] is chairman. If the gentleman will refer to page 2 of the committee report—

Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana. Would the gentleman mind explaining it to the House?

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. I am trying to do just that. The purpose of the bill is to do away with some statutory provisions which require departments of the Government to make various reports which experience has demonstrated to be unnecessary. The gentleman will find that on page 2 and subsequent pages of the report, which is very complete, if the gentleman will look at it. It points out in detail the reports which are dispensed with.

It is a question whether legislation previously enacted requiring these reports has been helpful or has not, whether there has been a savings or has not. The committee found that the cost of preparing the reports was greater than the savings that were made.

Mr. BROOKS of Louisiana. This would discontinue reports that are of no use to the Congress.

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. That is about the substance of it.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, That the following reports or statements now required by law are hereby discontinued, and all acts or parts of acts herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such requirement:

REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency as required by the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as amended (62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2673).

2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of each executive department or independent establishment of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such department or establishment under all acts of Congress (47 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a).

3. The quarterly report to Congress by each department and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief has been granted under the act of August 7, 1946, as amended, together with the amount of such relief and a brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

4. The annual report to Congress of the activities of, expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)).

5. The annual report to the Congress of all persons against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of the compromise, and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7 U. S. C. 1015 (g)).

6. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a).

7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture to the President accounting for all moneys received and expended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557).

8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture to the Congress on research work being performed under contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the act of August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j and 1624).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

9. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year, an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including a list of employees, their duties, salaries, and travel expenses, and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amending or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat. 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, 81st Congress; Reorganization Plan No. 7 of 1949).

10. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordination of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127).

11. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act.

12. Annual report submitted in accordance with section 4 of Senate Resolution 136, 81st Congress, providing Congress with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction.

13. Annual report concerning messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with Public Law 390, 81st Congress (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).

14. The requirement that 2,800 copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247).

15. The annual coast survey report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

16. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense to the Committee on Appropriations and Armed Services of the amounts obligated under the contract authorizations provided for in the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547, 80th Cong.), as required by section 2 of that act (5 U. S. C. 171a note).

17. The following statements of expenses included in the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of: (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of the channel through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and surveys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C. 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); (5) operating, maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc., other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

18. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429 (5 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress in the form of a statement of amounts expended for wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and securing stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose.

19. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of any vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429, 5 U. S. C. 466).

20. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress of charges included

in the cost of work under naval appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code, section 647.

21. Annual report of the Secretary of each military department of transportation services furnished under Public Law 560, 80th Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as required by section 2 of that act.

22. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within the District of Columbia among Federal and District authorities pursuant to title 40, United States Code, section 122.

23. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pursuant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C. 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of professors and instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

24. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779; 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

25. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

26. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior to the Congress giving in detail a list of lands exchanged under the Recreational Act of June 14, 1926 (44 Stat. 741, 43 U. S. C. 869).

27. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C. 143).

28. The report of the Secretary of the Interior of all withdrawals by the President of public lands from settlement, location, sale or entry for reserve for waterpower sites, irrigation, classification of lands, or other public purposes (36 Stat. 847; 43 U. S. C. 143).

29. The report of the Secretary of the Interior as to lands within any Indian reservation reserved from location, sale, entry, allotment, or other appropriation for use in connection with any irrigation project heretofore or hereafter authorized by Congress (36 Stat. 858, 43 U. S. C. 148).

30. The annual report by the National Park Trust Fund Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16 U. S. C. 19d).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

31. The annual report of the Attorney General to Congress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C. 790), in which final judgment has been rendered.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

32. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat. 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

33. The semiannual report of the National Munitions Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452).

REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

34. The report on regulations as to life-saving appliances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels (46 U. S. C. 481).

REPORT UNDER THE MUTUAL SECURITY AGENCY

35. The quarterly report of the President to the Congress of expenditures and activities, which shall include use of funds by the recipient government under assistance to Greece and Turkey authorization (61 Stat. 105; 22 U. S. C. 1407).

REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

36. Report by the Comptroller General on Farm Credit Administration transactions under the agriculture marketing revolving fund, in violation of law, together with such recommendations as deemed desirable (46 Stat. 18; 12 U. S. C. 1141i).

37. Report by the Comptroller General containing recommendations for such changes in existing law relating to inactive and permanent appropriation and for funds on the books of the Government and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office, as in the judgment of the Comptroller General, after a survey thereof, may be in the public interest (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w).

38. Report by the Comptroller General of any transaction or condition found to be in conflict with the powers or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C. 831h).

With the following committee amendments:

Page 5, line 3, change "Committee" to "Committees."

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 26, strike lines 9 through 12, inclusive.

Page 7, line 13, strike "27" and insert "26."

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 28, strike lines 20 through 24, inclusive.

Page 7, beginning with paragraph 29, strike line 25.

Page 8, strike lines 1 through 4, inclusive.

Page 8, line 5, strike "30" and insert "27."

Page 8, line 10, strike "31" and insert "28."

Page 8, line 15, strike "32" and insert "29."

Page 8, line 20, strike "33" and insert "30."

Page 9, line 2, strike "34" and insert "31."

Page 9, line 5, delete title.

Page 9, beginning with paragraph 35, strike lines 6 through 10, inclusive.

Page 9, line 12, strike "36" and insert "32."

Page 9, line 17, strike "37" and insert "33."

Page 10, line 5, strike "38" and insert "34."

The committee amendments were agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN LAND TO THE TEXAS HILL COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

The Clerk called the resolution (H. J. Res. 300) to provide for the conveyance to the Texas Hill Country Development Foundation of certain surplus land situated in Kerr County, Tex.

Mr. BYRNES of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that this resolution may go over without prejudice.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

READJUSTMENT OF COMPENSATION OF MAIL MESSENGER CONTRACTS

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2263) to authorize the Postmaster General to readjust the compensation of holders of contracts for the performance of mail-messenger service.

Mr. TRIMBLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that this bill be passed over without prejudice.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Arkansas?

There was no objection.

PALISADES RECLAMATION PROJECT, IDAHO

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 6786) authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to purchase improvements or pay damages for removal of improvements located on public lands of the United States in the Palisades project area, Palisades reclamation project, Idaho.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to purchase improvements located on public lands of the United States within the boundaries of the Palisades project area, Palisades reclamation project, Idaho, or to make payment for damages for the removal of improvements from the public lands of the United States within the boundaries of said project area. Any funds appropriated for the construction of the Palisades project, Idaho, shall be available for such purchase or payment of damages. Payments may be made pursuant to this act to persons, firms, or corporations who shall establish to the satisfaction of the Secretary of the Interior that they are entitled equitably to receive the same, and who sign contracts and vouchers for the same upon forms approved by the Secretary of the Interior: *Provided*, That amounts so paid shall not exceed the reasonable value, in the judgment of the Secretary of the Interior, of the improvements purchased or the actual damages (not exceeding in any event the reasonable value of said improvements as determined by the Secretary of the Interior) found by the Secretary of the Interior to have been sustained as a result of the removal of said improvements, as the case may be.

With the following committee amendment:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following: "That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to pay, out of any moneys appropriated for the construction of the Palisades project, Idaho, as the purchase price for certain improvements located on public lands of the United States within the boundaries of said project, or as damages for the removal of such improvements therefrom: to Lloyd William Schofield and Anna Maria Schofield, not to exceed the sum of \$400, for a summer home owned by said parties; and to Henry Hill, not to exceed the sum of \$3,000, for a house owned by him."

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AMENDING THE ACT OF DECEMBER 23, 1944

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 7306) to amend the act of December 23, 1944, to make permanent the authorization for certain transactions by disbursing officers of the United States.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the act entitled "An act to authorize certain transactions by disbursing officers of the United States, and for other purposes," approved December 23, 1944 (ch. 716, 58 Stat. 921), as amended by the act of June 16, 1953 (67 Stat. 62), is hereby amended by deleting section 4 thereof.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LAKE OF THE WOODS

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2098) to provide for the compensation of certain persons whose lands have been flooded and damaged by reason of fluctuations in the water level of the Lake of the Woods.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That the Secretary of the Army is authorized and directed to investigate, as soon as practicable, all claims filed within 6 months from the date of the enactment of this act for losses and damages caused after August 26, 1937, to inhabitants of the United States by fluctuations in the water level of the Lake of the Woods due to artificial obstructions placed in the outlets of such lake pursuant to the convention (signed at Washington on February 24, 1925) between the Governments of the United States and Great Britain providing for the regulation of the level of such lake.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Army, after due notice and opportunity for hearing, shall ascertain and determine the loss or damage, if any, that may have been sustained by the respective claimants, and to report to the Congress for its consideration the amount or amounts which he finds to be equitably due such claimants, together with a statement in each case of the substantial facts upon which the conclusion is based. The amounts found to be due the respective claimants for such loss or damage may be based upon any flooding exceeding elevation 1,064 sea-level datum, and upon any flooding between elevations 1,062½ and 1,064 sea-level datum unaffected by winds, as provided in the convention (signed at Washington on February 24, 1925) between the Governments of the United States and Great Britain providing for the regulation of the level of such lake.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

TRANSPORTATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MAILS ON MOTOR-VEHICLE ROUTES

The Clerk called the bill (S. 2773) to amend the act entitled "An act to provide for the transportation and distribu-

tion of mails on motor-vehicle routes," approved July 11, 1940 (54 Stat. 756).

Mr. TRIMBLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that this bill may be passed over without prejudice.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Arkansas?

There was no objection.

SIMPLIFYING HANDLING OF POSTAGE ON NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 5913) to simplify the handling of postage on newspapers and periodicals.

Mr. TRIMBLE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that this bill may be passed over without prejudice.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Arkansas?

There was no objection.

HAWAIIAN REVENUE BOND ACT OF 1935

The Clerk called the bill (H. R. 2844) providing that the ratification of the Revenue Bond Act of 1935, enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii, shall apply to all amendments of said act made by said legislature to and including the acts of the 1951 regular session of said legislature, and to all extensions of the period for issuance and delivery of revenue bonds thereunder, heretofore or hereafter enacted by said legislature.

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That chapter 118 of the revised laws of Hawaii, 1945, known as the Revenue Bond Act of 1935, as amended by all acts of the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii to and including the acts of the 1951 regular session of said legislature, is hereby ratified and confirmed, and notwithstanding the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under said Revenue Bond Act of 1935, as so amended, will expire on June 30, 1953, said ratification and confirmation shall apply as well to any extensions of the period for the issuance and delivery of revenue bonds thereunder, hereafter enacted by the Legislature of the Territory of Hawaii. It is the intent of this act that, without the approval of the President of the United States and without the incurring of an indebtedness within the meaning of the Hawaiian Organic Act, revenue bonds may be issued under and pursuant to the provisions of said Revenue Bond Act of 1953 as heretofore ratified and confirmed, which shall constitute full authority for the issuance of said bonds without reference to and independent of the Hawaiian Organic Act.

With the following committee amendments:

Page 1, line 6, strike the figure "1951" and insert in lieu thereof "1953."

Page 2, line 4, strike the words "will expire on June 30, 1953."

The committee amendments were agreed to.

83^D CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 6290

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 27 (legislative day, APRIL 14), 1954

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Government Operations

AN ACT

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following reports or statements now required by
4 law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts
5 herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or
6 statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such
7 requirement:

8 REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND
9 INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

10 1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency
11 as required by the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as
12 amended (62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2673).

1 2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of
2 each executive department or independent establishment
3 of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such
4 department or establishment under all Acts of Congress (47
5 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a) .

6 3. The quarterly report to Congress by each depart-
7 ment and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief
8 has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as
9 amended, together with the amount of such relief and a
10 brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision
11 (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106) .

12 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

13 4. The annual report to Congress of the activities of,
14 expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research
15 laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act
16 of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)) .

17 5. The annual report to the Congress of all persons
18 against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm
19 Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the
20 address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of
21 the compromise and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7
22 U. S. C. 1015 (g)) .

23 6. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required
24 to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect

1 to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund
2 (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a).

3 7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
4 to the President accounting for all moneys received and ex-
5 pended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557).

6 8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
7 to the Congress on research work being performed under
8 contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the Act of
9 August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j
10 and 1624).

11 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

12 9. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways
13 required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first
14 Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement
15 of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the
16 allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the
17 expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year,
18 an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including
19 a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses,
20 and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amend-
21 ing or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat.
22 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-
23 first Congress; Reorganization Plan Numbered 7 of 1949).

24 10. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordina-

1 tion of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign
2 commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the
3 Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46
4 U. S. C. 1127).

5 11. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance
6 with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180;
7 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under
8 the Federal Airport Act.

9 12. Annual report submitted in accordance with section
10 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress
11 with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways con-
12 struction.

13 13. Annual report concerning messing facilities in
14 Alaska and other points outside the continental United
15 States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce
16 in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first Congress
17 (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).

18 14. The requirement that two thousand eight hundred
19 copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geo-
20 detic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44
21 U. S. C. 247).

22 15. The annual coast survey report submitted to Con-
23 gress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised
24 Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

16. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense to the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services of the amounts obligated under the contract authorizations provided for in the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547), Eightieth Congress), as required by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a Note).

17. The following statements of expenses included in the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of:

- (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4) ;
- (2) maintenance of the channel through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and surveys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C. 602) ;
- (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606) ;
- (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605) ;
- (5) operating, maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc., other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

18. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429 (5 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress in the form of a statement of amounts expended for wages of

1 mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or
2 equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and securing
3 stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase
4 of materials and stores for the same purpose.

5 19. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of the
6 Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of any
7 vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429, 5
8 U. S. C. 466).

9 20. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the
10 Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval
11 appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code,
12 section 647.

13 21. Annual report of the Secretary of each military
14 department of transportation services furnished under Pub-
15 lic Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as
16 required by section 2 of that Act.

17 22. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of
18 transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within
19 the District of Columbia among Federal and District authori-
20 ties pursuant to title 40, United States Code, section 122.

21 23. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pur-
22 suant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C.
23 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of professors
24 and instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

24. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779; 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

25. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

26. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C. 143).

27. The annual report by the National Park Trust Fund Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16 U. S. C. 19d).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

28. The annual report of the Attorney General to Congress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46

1 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C.
2 790), in which final judgment has been rendered.

3 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

4 29. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of
5 the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of
6 productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat.
7 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

8 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

9 30. The semiannual report of the National Munitions
10 Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452).

11 REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

12 31. The report on regulations as to lifesaving appli-
13 ances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels
14 (46 U. S. C. 481).

15 REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

16 32. Report by the Comptroller General on Farm
17 Credit Administration transactions under the agriculture
18 marketing revolving fund, in violation of law, together with
19 such recommendations as deemed desirable (46 Stat 18;
20 12 U. S. C. 1141i).

21 33. Report by the Comptroller General containing
22 recommendations for such changes in existing law relating to
23 inactive and permanent appropriation and for funds on the
24 books of the Government and also funds in the official custody
25 of officers and employees of the United States in which the

1 Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting
2 is rendered to the General Accounting Office, as in the judg-
3 ment of the Comptroller General, after a survey thereof, may
4 be in the public interest (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w).

5 34. Report by the Comptroller General of any trans-
6 action or condition found to be in conflict with the powers
7 or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by
8 law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C.
9 831h).

Passed the House of Representatives April 26, 1954.

Attest:

LYLE O. SNADER,

Clerk.

AN ACT

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ordered the bill favorably reported with amendments. As approved, the bill would provide a total of \$98,748,141, an increase of \$16,392,196 over the House-passed figure of \$82,355,945.

Prior to this action, the Legislative-Judiciary Subcommittee marked up this bill and reported it to the full committee.

APPROPRIATIONS—DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, completed marking up H. R. 9517, District of Columbia appropriations for fiscal 1955, and ordered the bill favorably reported with amendments. As approved, the bill would provide a total of \$170,359,816, an increase of \$1,871,978 over the House-passed figure of \$168,487,838.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS AND NOMINATIONS APPROVED

Committee on Armed Services: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following: 4,575 nominations in the Army and Air Force;

Without amendment—S. 3284, to provide for the deposit of savings of enlisted personnel of all the services; H. R. 9340, authorizing transfer of certain land in Camp Blanding to State of Florida; H. R. 6725, to extend the authority for the appointment of certain officers in the Regular Navy and Marine Corps; and S. 3539, to amend the Career Compensation Act to provide for the computation of reenlistment bonuses for members of the uniformed services; and

Amended—H. R. 9005, to continue the effectiveness of the act of July 17, 1953, relative to expediting defense production through the construction of defense plants by the Government (amended to extend act for 1 year); and S. 3466, to provide for two additional Assistant Secretaries each for the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

Prior to their approval, testimony was heard on S. 3284 from Maj. John T. McCabe, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Army; and on S. 3539 from Maj. Samuel Lemley, Directorate, Personnel Planning, Air Force.

JOINT AIR RESERVE TRAINING FACILITY

Committee on Armed Services: The Subcommittee on Real Estate and Military Construction approved, with a proviso, Navy acquisition 98, Alvin Callendar Field, New Orleans, La. The proviso stipulates that the cost shall not exceed \$30 million.

Prior to approval of this project, testimony was heard thereon from Senator Ellender, Representative Hébert, and Assistant Secretary of Defense Franklin G. Floete.

NOMINATIONS, AND COMMUNIST INTERFERENCE IN WESTERN HEMISPHERE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported with amendments S. Con. Res. 91, expressing the sense of Congress

in support of the Organization of American States and against interference by the international Communist movement in Western Hemisphere. Committee also approved the nomination of Charles E. Saltzman, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Administration, 38 routine nominations in the Foreign Service, and 4 nominations to the Advisory Commission on Educational Exchange.

GOVERNMENT VEHICLES AND REPORTS

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Legislative Program met in executive session and ordered favorably reported to the full committee (1) with amendments H. R. 8753, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, relating to Government motor vehicles, and (2) with an amendment H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports by departments and agencies to the Congress.

The subcommittee deferred action, until its next meeting on June 30, on S. 2473 (H. R. 5605), payments in lieu of taxes to States or local taxing units.

ARIZONA POWER FACILITIES

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on S. 3382, authorizing Federal sale and conveyance of certain transmission facilities and related property in Arizona. Testimony was heard from the following witnesses: M. J. Dowd, consulting engineer, accompanied by Norchutt Ely, appearing in behalf of the Imperial Irrigation District of California; K. F. Wingfield, administrator, Arizona Power Authority; and Elmer Bennett, legislative counsel, accompanied by Arthur B. Viereggs, technical review staff, both of the Interior Department.

TRIP LEASING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee concluded hearings on H. R. 3203, to prohibit the ICC from regulating the duration of certain leases for the use of equipment by motor carriers, after hearing testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses:

Favoring the bill were Lloyd C. Halvorson, National Grange, and Angus McDonald, National Farmers Union; and

Opposing enactment of the bill were P. M. Greenberg, Werner Transportation Co., Chicago, and Robert J. McBride, representing Common Carrier Conference of ATA. Also testifying was Sidney Alterman, Alterman Transport Lines, Miami, Fla.

George D. Riley, AFL, filed a statement with regard to this bill.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Public Works: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following:

(1) An original joint resolution (S. J. Res. 170) embodying the provisions of S. Con. Res. 44, approval of conveyance of certain public-use terminal properties by the TVA;

(2) Without amendment H. R. 7913, to convey by quitclaim deed certain land to the State of Texas, and H. R. 2683, to extend authority to the Secretary of Interior to provide public works and enter into agreements

with applicants under the Alaska Public Works Act of 1950; and

(3) With an amendment H. R. 7664, providing for development of Priest Rapids site on Columbia River, Wash.

Committee will meet again on Monday, June 28, for the consideration of H. R. 7815, providing for construction, operation, and maintenance of Cougar Dam, Oreg.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 28, at 12 o'clock noon. For program see Congressional Program Ahead in this DIGEST.

Committee Meetings

FARM PROGRAM

Committee on Agriculture: Ordered reported to the House H. R. 9680, with amendments, to provide for continued price support for agricultural products; to augment the marketing and disposal of such products; and to provide for greater stability in the products of agriculture.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Committee on the District of Columbia: The Talle subcommittee heard officials of the Metropolitan Police Department at an inquiry today, which was called in connection with the attack made on Representative Curtis (Missouri) by a gang of teen-age hoodlums last Wednesday night. Representing the Police Department were Robert V. Murray, Chief; Inspector George R. Wallrodt, Deputy Chief; Capt. Thomas R. Rasmussen, head of the first precinct where the attack occurred; Capt. John F. Ryan, head of the Juvenile Squad; and Pvts. Sam Rogovsky and Patrick Sohocky, the officers on the scene who took the report of the incident from Representative Curtis. Chief Murray cited the Department's full knowledge of the growing problem of juvenile hoodlumism, and related that he had alerted all precincts to crack down on rowdiness last August. Captain Rasmussen stated that it was his confident opinion that the attackers would soon be apprehended. He added that upon apprehension they would be turned over to the social department of the juvenile court, but further action by this group would not be disclosed. U. S. Attorney Leo J. Rover concurred in Captain Rasmussen's opinion regarding the policy existing in the juvenile court, and recommended that Congress request the record of results from the court.

FEDERAL VOTING ASSISTANCE

Committee on House Administration: The Morano subcommittee approved for reporting to the full committee H. R. 8917, as amended, to entitle members of the Armed Forces on active duty in time of war to vote in the national election, if otherwise qualified, without regard to State law relating to registration or without payment of any poll tax or other tax. The group recommended that this amended version be substituted for the text of the Senate-passed measure, S. 1654. Speaking on behalf of the bill for the Department of Defense was Maj. Francis J. Grogan, Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Army.

PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: The D'Ewart subcommittee approved the following bills for reporting to the full committee, each with amendments—H. R. 6451 and 7229, private bills; H. R. 6814, to facilitate the acquisition of non-Federal land within areas of the national park system; H. R. 8006, to safeguard the rights of riparian landowners in Wisconsin whose title to property has been brought into question by reason of errors in the original survey and grant; and H. R. 8205, to authorize the conveyance to the Virginia Electric & Power Co. of a perpetual easement of right-of-way for electric-transmission-line purposes across lands of the Richmond National Battlefield Park, Va. Witnesses heard on H. R. 6451 were Representative Stringfellow (Utah), author of the bill, and Donovan S. Koontz, Assistant to the Solicitor, Department of Interior, who was interrogated regarding the Department's attitude on the proposal. Mr. Koontz also spoke in support of H. R. 7229. Representative Gary (Virginia), author of H. R. 8205, testified on behalf of that measure along with Jackson E. Price, Chief Counsel of the National Park Service. Mr. Price was also heard in favor of H. R. 6814. On H. R. 8006, the subcommittee heard its author, Representative O'Konski (Wisconsin), and James Lanigan, Assistant Solicitor of the Department of Interior, who was in favor of the bill, as amended. He was accompanied by Donald B. Clement, Assistant

(6) Approved House provision extending until June 30, 1957, the temporary provision for approval of certain State plans for aid to the blind which do not meet requirements of the Social Security Act; and

(7) Disapproved House provision extending coverage to employees of Federal instrumentalities who are not covered by another retirement system, and certain other specific groups, thereby retaining existing law. However, the committee approved a motion to stop the crediting of the same period of Federal service to more than one retirement system for any Federal employment.

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Committee on Government Operations: Committee ordered favorably reported:

With amendment—H. R. 8753, to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act, relating to Government motor vehicles; H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports by departments and agencies to the Congress; H. R. 5605, payments by Federal Government in lieu of taxes to States or local taxing units; and H. R. 8020, authorizing transfer of certain property in Klamath Falls, Oreg.; and

Without amendment—H. R. 179, to provide for payment of expenses of return transportation of Federal employees and authorized dependents, but not household effects, from posts of duty outside continental U. S.; H. R. 6658, providing for conveyance of certain U. S. lands in Cumberland County, N. C., to the State of North Carolina; H. R. 8501, a private bill; and S. 3709, providing for conveyance of certain real property to town of Beaufort, N. C.

Committee indefinitely postponed further action on S. J. Res. 120, Laramie (Wyo.) alumina plant; S. 2505, regarding destruction of Government records during war; S. 2341, land in Lansing, Mich.; S. 1175, extension of provisions of title II of First War Powers Act of 1941; S. 1006, Economy Act of 1953; S. 3142, to promote ethics in Government; and S. 3547, Government competition with private enterprise.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Government Operations: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations met in executive session with regard to matters pertaining to its staff.

NOMINATION, LAND, AND PRIVATE BILL

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Clarence A. Davis, of Nebraska, to be Under Secretary of Interior. The committee also approved without amendment H. R. 8038, authorizing conveyance of certain land in Hot Springs National Park, Ark., to school district, and S. 3316, a private bill.

Prior to approval of Mr. Davis' nomination, hearings were held thereon, with testimony from Senators Bowring and Reynolds, and the nominee.

AUTO BOOTLEG BILL

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Business and Consumer Interests held hearings on S. 3596, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act with respect to certain contracts, agreements, or franchises pertaining to distribution and manufacturing of automobiles and trucks. Testimony was heard as follows:

Favoring enactment of the bill were Charles C. Freed, president, Frederick J. Bell, executive vice president, Roland Kirks, general counsel, Alton M. Costley, regional vice president, Harry M. Sloate, member and former director, Birkett L. Williams, director, Joseph R. Marsh, member, H. Mead Norton, regional vice president, H. A. Lanphear, director, R. D. McKay, director, and Spencer T. Honig, director, all of the National Automobile Dealers Association, and Leo B. Carey, president, Rhode Island Automobile Dealers Association, Westover, R. I.

Testifying in opposition to enactment of the bill were Earl W. Kintner, General Counsel, FTC; Richard C. Webster, Salisbury, Md., and Joseph B. Danzansky, attorney for National Used Car Dealers Association, Washington, D. C.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

UHF-TV

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications met in executive session and agreed to recommend to the full committee that the subcommittee's position with respect to removing excise tax on all channel television sets be reaffirmed. Also, the subcommittee agreed to create an ad hoc advisory committee representing all segments of the radio and television industry and the public to study certain proposals submitted to the subcommittee during its hearings.

POSTAL PAY LEGISLATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Committee held hearings on proposed postal pay raise legislation. Witnesses heard today are as follows: William C. Doherty, president, National Association of Letter Carriers; E. C. Hallbeck, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Clerks; W. M. Thomas, president, Postal Transport Association; Harold McAvoy, president, National Association of Post Office and Postal Transportation Service Mail Handlers, Watchmen, and Messengers; Samuel E. Klein, president, United National Association of Post Office Clerks; Jesse V. Horton, vice president, National Association of Postal Supervisors; Paul Benson, president, National Association of Rural Letters Carriers; Ross A. Messer, National Association of Post Office and General Services Maintenance Employees; C. B. Gravitt, Jr., secretary and legislative representative, National League of District Postmasters; Frank Russell, president, National Star Route Mail Carriers Association; J. Austin Latimer,

representing National Association of Postmasters; and Paul M. Castiglioni, legislative representative, National Federation of Post Office Motor Vehicle Employees.

Statements were submitted with regard to this matter by Henry J. Mahady, national commander, AMVETS; James A. Campbell, president, AFGE; and George L. Warfel, president, National Association of Special Delivery Messengers.

Hearings continue tomorrow, with testimony on pay raise legislation for classified employees.

INVESTIGATING COMMITTEES—RULES OF PROCEDURE

Committee on Rules and Administration: Subcommittee on Rules resumed its hearings on miscellaneous resolutions dealing with rules of procedure for investigating committees, and heard testimony today from Representative Meader, former Senators Gerald P. Nye and Millard Tydings, and Stephen Raushenbush, of Washington, D. C. Hearings continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 14 public bills, H. R. 9954-9967; 12 private bills, H. R. 9968-9979; and 10 resolutions, H. J. Res. 562-564, H. Con. Res. 256 and 257, and H. Res. 647-651, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 6427, for the relief of the State of North Carolina, amended (H. Rept. 2299);

H. R. 9740, for the relief of certain Army and Air Force nurses (H. Rept. 2300);

Fourteen private bills, S. 555, 820, 1183, 1702, 3062, 3064, H. R. 703, H. Res. 638, 637, H. R. 3014, 7099, 7497, 8281, and 9261 (H. Repts. 2301-2314, respectively);

S. 2027, authorizing the Secretary of Interior to issue quitclaim deeds to States for certain lands (H. Rept. 2315);

S. 3302, granting certain public lands to the Las Vegas Valley Water District, Nevada, amended (H. Rept. 2316);

S. 3699, granting Federal approval to the interstate compact on the Sabine River (H. Rept. 2317);

H. R. 7785, to make permanent the increases in regular annuities under the Civil Service Retirement Act which were granted by Public Law 555 (82d Cong.), and extend such increases to additional annuities purchased by voluntary contributions, amended (H. Rept. 2318);

H. R. 8365, declares valid all patents-in-fee heretofore issued to the Mission Indians in the State of California notwithstanding issuance prior to the expiration of the trust period existing with respect to a trust patent (H. Rept. 2319);

H. R. 8821, to authorize the exchange of lands acquired by the United States for the Catoctin recreational demonstration area, Frederick County, Md. (H. Rept. 2320);

H. R. 9679, granting the consent of Congress to a compact entered into by the States of Louisiana and Texas and relating to the waters of the Sabine River (H. Rept. 2321);

H. R. 9821, to provide for orderly termination of Federal supervision over the property and members of the

Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, amended (H. Rept. 2322);

Two private bills, H. R. 7881 and S. 3303 (H. Repts. 2323 and 2324, respectively);

H. R. 9751, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to sell and convey certain Parker-Davis transmission facilities and related property in the States of Arizona and California, amended (H. Rept. 2325);

S. 3506, to repeal prohibition against use of alley dwellings in the D. C., amended (H. Rept. 2326);

S. 1244, relating to the renewal of contracts for carrying of mail on star routes (H. Rept. 2327);

S. 1585, to amend the D. C. Traffic Act of 1925 (H. Rept. 2328);

S. 3233, to provide permanent legislation for the transportation of a substantial portion of waterborne cargoes in U. S.-flag vessels, amended (H. Rept. 2329);

S. 3329, to amend the D. C. Police and Firemen's Salary Act to correct certain inequities, amended (H. Rept. 2330);

S. 3518, relating to fees and appointment of personnel by D. C. Recorder of Deeds (H. Rept. 2331);

S. 3655, to provide that the D. C. Metropolitan Police force shall keep arrest books which are open to public inspection (H. Rept. 2332);

S. 3683, to amend the D. C. Credit Unions Act, amended (H. Rept. 2333);

H. R. 5718, to limit the period for collection by the United States of compensation received by officers and employees in violation of the dual compensation laws (H. Rept. 2334);

H. R. 6127, to create a Board for the Condemnation of Insanitary Buildings in the District of Columbia, amended (H. Rept. 2335);

H. R. 7484, to direct the U. S. attorney for D. C. to certify cases of juveniles charged with felonious crimes to either the U. S. district court or the D. C. juvenile court, after examination of the case (H. Rept. 2336);

H. R. 7670, relating to the referral of cases by the municipal court for the District of Columbia to the District of Columbia tax court (H. Rept. 2337);

H. R. 8915, grants the D. C. municipal court of appeals exclusive jurisdiction to review various orders or deci-

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DISCONTINUING CERTAIN REPORTS
NOW REQUIRED BY LAW

R E P O R T

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES SENATE
EIGHTY-THIRD CONGRESS
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ON

H. R. 6290

AN ACT TO DISCONTINUE CERTAIN REPORTS
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Mrs. SMITH of Maine, from the Committee on Government Operations,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 6290]

The Committee on Government Operations, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 6290) to discontinue certain reports now required by law, having considered the same, report favorably thereon, with amendments and recommend that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The amendments are as follows:

On page 4, strike out lines 5 through 8, and renumber items beginning with No. 12 on page 4, line 9, through No. 34 on page 9, line 5.

Beginning with the word "and" where it appears immediately following the word "appropriation" on page 8, line 23, in item No. 33 strike out all to and including the word "interest" in line 4, page 9.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the bill, as amended, is to discontinue 33 statutory requirements for the submission to the Congress of reports which may be discontinued without detriment to the public service. These reports have been outmoded, have been superseded by other reports, or contain detailed information which is costly to report and which is available to the Congress at any time from the records of the particular department or agency. Upon the basis of estimates obtained from the departments and agencies, an annual saving of approximately \$143,000 would result from the enactment of the bill.

The reports proposed for discontinuance were recommended to the Bureau of the Budget for inclusion in the bill by the respective departments and agencies and have been reviewed and approved by the Bureau.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

The amendment on page 4, to strike item No. 11, was recommended by the National Association of State Aviation Officials, on the premise

that the annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act, contained essential information required by State aviation officials. The committee concluded that although the preparation and publication of this report was estimated to total approximately \$1,200 annually, since it would serve a useful public purpose, it should be continued until it was clearly established that the information contained therein was readily available from some other source.

The amendment approved by the committee on page 8 was adopted on the recommendation of the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, who advised the committee under date of May 24, 1954, as follows:

Under date of August 21, 1953, the General Accounting Office submitted a report to the chairman, Committee on Government Operations, House of Representatives, recommending the discontinuance of three reports by the General Accounting Office. These reports are identified as items 32, 33, and 34 in the bill as passed by the House of Representatives.

With respect to item 32 concerning Farm Credit Administration transactions under the agricultural marketing revolving fund, and item 34 concerning Tennessee Valley Authority transactions in conflict with powers and duties entrusted to it, information on these items is now covered in annual audit reports of the General Accounting Office required to be made under the provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act (31 U. S. C. 841). Consequently, inclusion of the two items in the bill is recommended.

Item 33 relates to section 24 of the act of June 26, 1934 (48 Stat. 1236), requiring a survey and report by the Comptroller General of inactive and permanent appropriations and/or funds on the books of the Government and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office. Further consideration has been given to item 33 since the date of our report to the House committee and it has been decided that the authority to make a survey and report of funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office, should be retained.

For a number of years the General Accounting Office has been making surveys and reports concerning nonappropriated funds in the hands of officers and employees usually arising from the operation of Government-sponsored retail establishments, welfare and recreational activities, etc., which in many cases have been applied for the benefit of select groups of Government military and civilian personnel. For example, see the report of the Comptroller General to the Congress dated August 10, 1949, covering the operation of welfare and recreational activities by the Government which was referred to your committee, as well as supplemental report on the same subject dated August 5, 1952. In the making of these surveys and reports the provision of section 24 of the act of June 26, 1934, has been relied upon as the authority to inquire into such funds.

Until such time as the Congress enacts clarifying legislation with respect to semiofficial funds in the hands of officers and employees of the Government, the General Accounting Office strongly feels that part of section 24 of the act of June 26, 1934, which gives the Office authority to examine into such funds should not be repealed.

To accomplish this recommendation, it is suggested that H. R. 6290 be amended by striking all words beginning with the word "and" on page 8, line 23, and ending with the word "interest" on page 9, line 4.

The effect of the amendment would be to discontinue surveys and reports by the Comptroller General relating to inactive and permanent appropriations on the books of the Government but would leave intact the authority to examine into funds for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office.

Most of the other reports which would be discontinued by H. R. 6290 do not affect the General Accounting Office and I have no specific recommendations to offer concerning them.

BACKGROUND

This bill is similar to legislation which has been enacted from time to time for the purpose of eliminating the necessity for the submission of reports deemed to be unnecessary. The act of May 29, 1928 (45 Stat. 986), repealed statutory provisions which required the preparation and submission of 128 reports. The act of August 7, 1946 (60 Stat. 866), repealed 62 similar requirements. The act of October 31, 1951 (65 Stat. 701), repealed the requirements for 131 reports.

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS OF H. R. 6290

The bill would discontinue the submission by the executive departments and independent agencies to the Congress of certain reports or statements now required by the various laws described in the respective items of the bill. The information with respect to each report was submitted by the respective departments and agencies in their recommendations to the Bureau of the Budget.

REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

Item No. 1: The head of each Federal agency is required to submit to the Congress annually a report as to all claims of \$1,000 or less paid by it from agency funds under the Federal Tort Claims Act of August 2, 1946. The report must include the name of each claimant, the amount claimed and paid, and a brief description of the claim. The act provides that the head of each Federal agency may adjust and settle claims of \$1,000 or less against the United States for injury or loss of property or personal injury or death caused by wrongful acts or omissions by any Government employee of the agency while acting within the scope of his employment under circumstances in which the United States, if a private person, would be liable under the law of the place where the act or omission occurred. The Comptroller General stated that the requirement for regular reports may, in some instances, have a wholesome effect where, as in this case, administrative settlements are conclusive and final. He recommended that this report either be retained as a special report or included in the annual reports of the departments and agencies. Each agency has on hand the data with respect to each claim which is available whenever a question may arise about a particular person.

Item No. 2: By act of June 30, 1932, there must be included in the annual reports to the Congress by the executive departments and independent agencies a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to them under all acts of Congress. This requirement causes a duplication of the information submitted to the Congress in that the Treasury Department for each fiscal year publishes a Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Balances of the United States Government. This report includes for each agency of the Federal Government the amount of receipts by types. In addition, the amount of receipts are furnished in connection with the budget submissions of the various Federal agencies.

Item No. 3: Under the provisions of the act of August 7, 1946, as amended by the act of June 25, 1948, each agency is required to report

quarterly to the Congress the name of each claimant to whom relief was granted under the act, the amount allowed, and a brief statement of the facts and administrative decision. The act provided for relief only where claims therefor were filed with the agency within 6 months after the date of approval of the act (August 7, 1946). The act limited the claims to contractual losses which arose out of work, supplies, or services furnished between September 16, 1940, and August 14, 1945, and with respect to which a written request for relief was filed with the contracting agency concerned on or before August 14, 1945. This reporting requirement is now obsolete.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Item No. 4: The Secretary of Agriculture is required by the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 to submit annually to the Congress a report of the activities of, the expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research laboratories. Similar information is contained in the published annual report of the Administrator of the Agricultural Research Service which is available to the Congress and the public. Similar information is also furnished in support of the annual budget estimates.

Item No. 5: The Secretary is required at the end of each fiscal year to submit to the Congress a report of the names and addresses of borrowers under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act against whom claims in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised. The report must also include the amounts of the compromises and the reasons therefor. The data must be recorded separately for each transaction as it occurs. At the end of each fiscal year the report is then typed. The 1951 fiscal year report consisted of 200 pages. Where information is desired with respect to any individual borrower, or a group of borrowers residing in a certain area, it may be obtained from the Farmers Home Administration.

Item No. 6: The Secretary is required to include in his annual report to the Congress a complete statement with respect to the status of the farm tenant mortgage insurance fund. Detailed information on the fund is published in the annual report of the Administrator of Farmers Home Administration to the Secretary. In addition, the information is also contained in the annual budget estimates to the Congress.

Item No. 7: The Secretary of Agriculture is required in his annual report to the President to include an account of all moneys received and expended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557). This information is contained in the printed report of the Director of Finance to the Secretary and appears also in the annual budget submission to the Congress. At present the statutory requirement is being satisfied by attaching pertinent tables from the report of the Director of Finance to the Secretary's report to the President.

Item No. 8: The annual report to Congress by the Secretary on research work performed under contracts or cooperative agreements under the authority of the act of August 14, 1946. The report includes the names of the cooperating agencies and the amounts expended, segregated by Federal and non-Federal funds. Much of the information required is presently furnished to the Congress in the explanatory notes for the House Committee on Appropriations and in the annual report of the Administrator of the Agricultural Research

Service. One part of the required report, relating to work performed through cooperative agreements under title II of the act, is not otherwise available but is apparently the least useful.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Item No. 9: By section 19 of the Federal Highway Act of November 9, 1921, the Secretary of Commerce is required to report to the Congress annually on Federal-aid highways giving detailed statements of the work done, allocation of appropriations, itemized statement of receipts and expenditures, a listing of employees, their duties, salaries, and travel expenses, and recommendations for new or amending legislation. The pertinent data are included in his annual report with respect to the Department generally and in the report of the Bureau of Public Roads to the Secretary, both of which reports are printed as public documents. In addition much of the financial detail is submitted through budget channels.

Item No. 10: By section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936, as amended, the Secretary of Commerce is required to submit every 4 months a report to the Congress with respect to the coordination of forwarding waterborne export and import foreign commerce. The coordination of these forwarding facilities was necessary during World War II since normal transoceanic commerce was subordinated to military and strategic requirements of our war effort. Subsequent to World War II there has been but little activity in this connection.

Item No. 11: An annual report under section 4 of Senate Resolution 136, 81st Congress, is required to be submitted to the Senate containing data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction. The information was originally required for use in connection with a public works program in the event of widespread unemployment. The information would be available from other sources in the Department if and as needed.

Item No. 12: By the act of October 26, 1949, the Secretary of Commerce is required to submit annually to the Congress a report showing the expenditures for the establishment, maintenance, and operation of messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States. Such facilities are authorized under the legislation where suitable family facilities are not available and are to be furnished employees, and dependents, of the Department of Commerce and other Federal agencies at a reasonable value. The proceeds obtained are to be credited to the appropriation from which the expenditures are made. Messing facilities have not been provided under this legislation and accordingly reports have not been made.

Item No. 13: The act of January 12, 1895, requires the printing in quarto form of 2,800 copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey in addition to the usual number. Of the 2,800 copies, 200 are for the Senate, 600 for the House of Representatives, and the balance for distribution by the agency. Only 750 copies of the 1952 report were printed. The annual report of the Secretary contains the important material of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Item No. 14: Section 4690 of the Revised Statutes required the submission by the Director, Coast and Geodetic Survey, of an annual

coast survey report, accompanied by a general chart of the whole coast of the United States. The act of August 7, 1946, repealed the requirement in section 4690 that the Coast and Geodetic annual coast survey report be accompanied by the general chart of the whole coast of the United States, but it is not clear whether the requirement in section 4690 for the annual coast survey report was repealed. This requirement is no longer necessary since the act of August 6, 1947, contains general authority for the publication of annual reports of the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Item No. 15: By section 2 of the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1948, the Secretary of Defense is required to report quarterly to the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services the amounts obligated on contract authorizations for the 70 air group contracts provided in the act. Only 2 percent of the amount of contract authorization remained unobligated as of April 1951. Since that time the remaining balance has been obligated and reports are no longer submitted.

Item No. 16: The Chief of Engineers is required to include in his annual report statements of expenditures with respect to the following activities: (1) Gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of channel through the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C. 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi River and other named rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); and (5) operating, maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc., other than the Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5). At the time these statements of expenditures were first required the activities were financed from permanent appropriations. Subsequent to the enactment of the Permanent Appropriations Repeal Act of June 26, 1934, these activities have been financed by annual appropriations. Thus the expenditure data for each completed fiscal year are submitted with the budget estimates for succeeding years.

Item No. 17: By section 429 of the Revised Statutes, the Secretary of the Navy is required to submit annually to the Congress a statement of amounts expended for wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy, for receiving and securing stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose. This information is now contained in NavSanda Publication No. 39, Naval Expenditures, Statement 2. It is a part of the report submitted pursuant to the National Security Act amendments of 1949.

Item No. 18: By the act of June 22, 1910, the Secretary of the Navy is required to submit annually to the Congress a statement of all acts done in making sale of any vessel of the Navy. This information is presently being submitted in Statement No. 5 of Publication No. 39, described above. Section 4 of Public Law 3, 82d Congress, March 10, 1951, requires prior congressional authorization before disposal can be made of any vessel which has not been stricken from the Navy Register.

Item No. 19: By the act of March 4, 1911, the Secretary of the Navy is required to report annually to the Congress the direct and indirect charges of the cost of work under the various naval appropriations. This information is presently being furnished as a part of statement No. 2 of publication No. 39, described above.

Item No. 20: The Secretary of each military department is required by section 2 of the act of May 28, 1948, to submit annually to the Congress a summarized report of transportation services furnished under section 1 of the statute. Any pertinent data which may be required in connection with the rendition of transportation are available in the accounts when needed.

Item No. 21: By act of May 20, 1932, Federal and District authorities administering properties within the District of Columbia owned by the United States or the District of Columbia may transfer among or between them jurisdiction for purposes of administration and maintenance provided that a proposed transfer must be recommended by the National Capital Planning Commission. The act also provides that all such transfers and agreements must be reported to Congress by the authorities concerned. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia submit the required information to the Congress. Reports are not submitted by the Department of Defense, the National Park Service, or National Capital Planning Commission, the Federal agencies affected. The annual reports to the Congress submitted by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia include a listing of these transfers. The 1952 fiscal year report, page 293 under the heading "Surveyors Office," lists 20 different land transfers, 16 of which relate to transfers between the District government and the National Park Service. The transfers to the District are for street and alley purposes while those to the National Park Service are for park purposes. The report includes four transfers from the Chief of Engineers, Army, to the National Park Service or the District government. These transfers generally relate to small strips or triangles of land and are made to straighten out boundary lines or for aqueduct purposes. This item would repeal the requirement that reports be submitted by the Federal authorities, but the requirement that the report be submitted by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia would remain in effect.

Item No. 22: By act of July 31, 1947, establishing the Naval Postgraduate School, the Secretary is required to report annually to the Congress the number and salaries of professors and instructors at the school. A similar requirement applied to the Naval War College and Naval Academy by act of August 29, 1916, as amended, but was repealed by act of August 2, 1946.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

Item No. 23: By the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act of July 19, 1940, the Secretary is required to submit annually to the Congress a financial statement and a complete report of operations. The basic data in the report are also available in the Bureau of Reclamation's accounts and in its annual report for each project to the Federal Power Commission.

Item No. 24: By act of May 18, 1938, the Secretary must file annually with the Congress a financial statement and complete

report as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding fiscal year. The basic data are also contained in the Bureau of Reclamation's accounts and annual report to the Federal Power Commission.

Item No. 25: By act of March 3, 1911, the Secretary must transmit annually to the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds have been made by the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year. The report must include the total amount of money to the credit of each tribe at the close of the fiscal year, segregated by funds showing how and when each was established; the total disbursements from public or trust funds for each tribe showing the amounts disbursed for per capita payments in money to Indians, for salaries or compensation of officers and employees, for legal fees, and for support and civilization of the Indians. The financial data are otherwise available to the Congress in that detailed information is contained in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures, and Balances of the United States Government. In addition, the annual budget estimates show detailed information on the expenditures of tribal trust and public funds.

Item No. 26: By act of July 10, 1935, the National Park Trust Fund Board is required to submit an annual report to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it and of its operations. The financial data are furnished annually by the Secretary of the Treasury in the "Combined Statement of Receipts, Expenditures and Balances of the United States Government." Much of it is also contained in the annual budget submissions.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Item No. 27: Under the provisions of the Suits in Admiralty Act of March 9, 1920, and the Public Vessels Act of March 3, 1925, the Attorney General is required to submit reports to the Congress of all suits under these acts in which final judgments have been rendered. These reports are included as a part of the annual report of the Attorney General. The Congress will, however, continue to receive such information since the Department certifies each such judgment to the Congress in order that funds may be made available for discharging the judgments rendered against the United States.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Item No. 28: By act of June 7, 1940, the Secretary of Labor is directed to submit annually to the Congress a report on the finding of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of productivity and labor costs in various industries. The preparation of this special report would constitute a duplication of the data appearing in other reports and publications. Special reports under this item have not been made to the Congress by the Department. In lieu thereof the data are included in the annual report of the Secretary. In addition, the Department makes available to the Congress results of their work in the field of productivity measurement and analysis.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Item No. 29: The semiannual report of the National Munitions Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452), prepared by the Department of State, was first required by the Neutrality Act of 1939. The report contained data pertaining to the control of trade in arms, ammunition, and implements of war. The report was discontinued during the war by virtue of an amendment to the act effective May 27, 1941, which permitted the Secretary of State to discontinue the reports during the existence of a state of war. Due to legal cessation of hostilities the report was later resumed. The report contains approximately 300 pages and includes listings of licenses issued, names of persons and firms registered, and for each transaction it includes the name of the licensee and of the purchaser showing the money value and volume of the commodity involved. The Department would plan to continue submitting to the Congress less detailed reports periodically.

REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Item No. 30: All regulations as to lifesaving appliances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels issued by the Commandant of the Coast Guard are required to be transmitted to the Congress as soon as practicable after they are made (46 U. S. C. 481). These regulations must be published in the Federal Register in compliance with the Federal Register Act and the Administrative Procedure Act. In addition, they are available in pamphlet form at any time upon request. The regulations are no longer sent to the Congress but, in lieu thereof, the Congress is notified when new regulations are issued and where they may be located.

REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

Item No. 31: By act of June 15, 1929, the Comptroller General is required to make an examination of the expenditures by the Farm Credit Administration from the agricultural marketing revolving fund and to report to the Congress any such expenditures made in violation of law. A similar report is included in the reports to Congress submitted by the Comptroller General under the provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act. The separate report prescribed by the act of June 15, 1929, has not been made in recent years.

Item No. 32: By the Permanent Appropriations Repeal Act, the Comptroller General is required to submit to the Congress annually, in a special report, recommendations for changes in existing law relating to inactive and permanent appropriations or funds on the books of the Government, and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office. No reports have been submitted under this requirement in recent years since the basic purpose of the survey and report by the General Accounting Office has been accomplished and since there now is adequate accounting of Government funds by

officers and employees of the Government. (See letter from the General Accounting Office on pp. 1 and 2 of this report for amendment to this item, which was approved in committee.)

Item No. 33: By the acts of May 18, 1933, and August 31, 1935, the Comptroller General is required to make a special report to the President and to the Congress of any transaction or condition of the Tennessee Valley Authority in conflict with its statutory powers or duties. The information required in this report is now included in the annual reports he submits to the Congress in accordance with the provisions of the Government Corporation Control Act.



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JULY 21 (legislative day, JULY 2), 1954

Reported by Mrs. SMITH of Maine, with amendments

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AN ACT

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the following reports or statements now required by
4 law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts
5 herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or
6 statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such
7 requirement:

8 REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND
9 INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

10 1. The annual report of the head of each Federal agency
11 as required by the Federal Tort Claims Act of 1946, as
12 amended (62 Stat. 983; 28 U. S. C. 2673).

1 2. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of
2 each executive department or independent establishment
3 of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such
4 department or establishment under all Acts of Congress (47
5 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a) .

6 3. The quarterly report to Congress by each depart-
7 ment and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief
8 has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as
9 amended, together with the amount of such relief and a
10 brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision
11 (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106) .

12 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

13 4. The annual report to Congress of the activities of,
14 expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research
15 laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act
16 of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)) .

17 5. The annual report to the Congress of all persons
18 against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm
19 Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the
20 address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of
21 the compromise and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7
22 U. S. C. 1015 (g)) .

23 6. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required
24 to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect

1 to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund
2 (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a).

3 7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
4 to the President accounting for all moneys received and ex-
5 pended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557).

6 8. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture
7 to the Congress on research work being performed under
8 contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the Act of
9 August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j
10 and 1624).

11 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

12 9. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways
13 required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first
14 Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement
15 of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the
16 allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the
17 expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year,
18 an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including
19 a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses,
20 and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amend-
21 ing or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat.
22 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-
23 first Congress; Reorganization Plan Numbered 7 of 1949).

24 10. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordina-

tion of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127).

~~11.~~ Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; ~~49 U. S. C. 1117~~), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act.

~~11.~~ Annual report submitted in accordance with section 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction.

~~12.~~ Annual report concerning messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first Congress (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).

~~13.~~ The requirement that two thousand eight hundred copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247).

~~14.~~ The annual coast survey report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

1 REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

2 ~~46~~ 15. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense
3 to the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Serv-
4 ices of the amounts obligated under the contract authori-
5 zations provided for in the Supplemental National Defense
6 Appropriation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547), Eightieth Con-
7 gress), as required by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a
8 Note).

9 ~~47~~ 16. The following statements of expenses included in
10 the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of:
11 (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tribu-
12 taries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of the channel
13 through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and sur-
14 veys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C.
15 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and
16 certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) opera-
17 tion of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain
18 other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); (5) operating, maintaining,
19 keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc.,
20 other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).

21 ~~48~~ 17. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429
22 (5 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Con-
23 gress in the form of a statement of amounts expended for

1 wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, re-
2 pairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and
3 securing stores and materials for those purposes and for the
4 purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose.

5 ~~19~~ 18. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of
6 the Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of
7 any vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429,
8 5 U. S. C. 466) .

9 ~~20~~ 19. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the
10 Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval
11 appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code,
12 section 647.

13 ~~21~~ 20. Annual report of the Secretary of each military
14 department of transportation services furnished under Pub-
15 lic Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277) , as
16 required by section 2 of that Act.

17 ~~22~~ 21. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of
18 transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within
19 the District of Columbia among Federal and District authori-
20 ties pursuant to title 40, United States Code, section 122.

21 ~~23~~ 22. Annual report of the Department of the Navy
22 pursuant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34
23 U. S. C. 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of
24 professors and instructors employed at the Naval Post Grad-
25 uate School.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

24 23. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779; 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

25 24. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

26 25. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C. 143).

27 26. The annual report by the National Park Trust Fund Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16 U. S. C. 19d).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

28 27. The annual report of the Attorney General to Congress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46

1 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C.
2 790), in which final judgment has been rendered.

3 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

4 ~~29~~ 28. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of
5 the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of
6 productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat.
7 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

8 REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

9 ~~30~~ 29. The semiannual report of the National Munitions
10 Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452).

11 REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

12 ~~31~~ 30. The report on regulations as to lifesaving appli-
13 ances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels
14 (46 U. S. C. 481).

15 REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

16 ~~32~~ 31. Report by the Comptroller General on Farm
17 Credit Administration transactions under the agriculture
18 marketing revolving fund, in violation of law, together with
19 such recommendations as deemed desirable (46 Stat 18;
20 12 U. S. C. 1141i).

21 ~~33~~ 32. Report by the Comptroller General containing
22 recommendations for such changes in existing law relating to
23 inactive and permanent appropriation and for funds on the
24 books of the Government and also funds in the official custody
25 of officers and employees of the United States in which the

1 Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting
2 is rendered to the General Accounting Office, as in the judg-
3 ment of the Comptroller General, after a survey thereof, may
4 be in the public interest (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w).

5 34 33. Report by the Comptroller General of any trans-
6 action or condition found to be in conflict with the powers
7 or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by
8 law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C.
9 831h).

Passed the House of Representatives April 26, 1954.

Attest:

LYLE O. SNADER,

Clerk.

83d CONGRESS
2d Session

H. R. 6290

[Report No. 1968]

AN ACT

To discontinue certain reports now required
by law.

APRIL 27 (legislative day, APRIL 14), 1954

Read twice and referred to the Committee on
Government Operations

JULY 21 (legislative day, JULY 2), 1954

Reported with amendments

- Discussed and placed at the head of the calendar, upon the objection of Sen. Morse, H. R. 2225, to authorize the Santa Maria project, Calif. (pp. 13597-9).
17. REPORTS. Passed with amendments H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain requirements for reports to Congress, etc. (p. 13619).
 18. CORN; ASC COMMITTEES. Sen. Humphrey spoke in favor of the "desirability of carrying over of excesses or reserves of corn," and allowing farmers to elect fellow farmers of their own choice to county committees administering the farm program (p. 13596).
 19. PERSONNEL. The Post Office and Civil Service Committee reported without amendment H. R. 5718, to limit to 6 years the period for collection by the Government of compensation received by officers and employees in violation of the dual compensation laws (S. Rept. 2478); and H. R. 7785, to make permanent the increases in regular annuities under the Civil Service Retirement Act which were granted by Public Law 555, 82nd Cong., and extend such increases to additional annuities purchased by voluntary contributions (S. Rept. 2479) (p. 13532).
 20. WATER FACILITIES; FARM LOANS. Sen. Aiken inserted R. B. McLeaish's letter commending the Senate Agriculture Committee for their efforts in extending and enlarging water facilities and conservation loans and amending the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act (p. 13532).
 21. SOCIAL SECURITY. H. R. 9366, the social security bill, was made the unfinished business (p. 13587).
 22. FOREIGN AFFAIRS. Discussed and upon objection by Sen. Smathers, passed over S. 3067, to require the State Department to transmit to the Senate within 30 days the text of any executive agreement or other international agreement to which this country is a party (pp. 13614-6).
 23. STATEHOOD. Sen. Malone inserted Judge Stainback's letters recommending denial of statehood for Hawaii and proposing a bill providing for Commonwealth status for this territory (pp. 13623-6).
 24. FORESTRY. Passed as reported S. 3601, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to extend until not later than Oct. 18, 1962, certain timber rights and necessary ingress and egress (pp. 13609-10).

BILLS INTRODUCED

25. LANDS. S. 3862, by Sen. Mundt, to authorize the Sec. of Agriculture to exchange certain lands in Pennington County, S. Dak.; to Agriculture and Forestry Committee (p. 13532).

ITEMS IN APPENDIX

26. FORESTRY. Extension of remarks of Rep. Saylor criticizing the Senate's adoption of the forest-grazing amendment to the farm program bill and inserting a telegram from Mrs. Cornelia Bryce Pinchot, (Chairman, Forest Conservation Society of America) expressing "distress" concerning this provision (p. A6020).

Extension of remarks of Rep. Metcalf and insertion of a Denver Post editorial, "A Slick Scheme," criticizing adoption of the forest-grazing amendment to the farm-program bill (p. A6022).

Extension of remarks of Rep. Young commending adoption of the forest-grazing amendment (pp. A6023-4).

27. FARM PROGRAM. Extension of remarks of Rep. Harden commending the Eisenhower administration for its accomplishments, including farm program legislation, and inserting the results of his questionnaire concerning flexible price supports and extension of social security to farmers (pp. A5987-8).

Extension of remarks of Rep. Crumpacker, Jr., commending the achievements of the 83rd Congress, including enactment of farm program legislation (p. A5997).

Extension of remarks of Rep. Zablocki reporting to his constituents on legislation considered by the 83rd Congress and inserting his voting record on major issues, including farm program legislation (pp. A6013-5).

28. FOREIGN TRADE; STOCKPILING. Extension of remarks of Rep. Martin, Ia., criticizing activities of the former International Materials Conference and establishment of a new international trade stabilization commission, and inserting former President Hoover's 1925 address, "Foreign Combinations Now Fixing Prices of Raw Materials Imported into the United States," (pp. A5992-4).

29. FOREIGN AID; TRANSPORTATION. Extension of remarks of Rep. Allen, Jr., defending the shipment of at least 50 percent of our foreign-aid cargoes in American-flag ships and inserting tables showing the cost of such shipments, etc. (pp. A5994-7.)

30. VETERANS' BENEFITS. Extension of remarks of Rep. King stating that legislation enacted during the last 10 years in behalf of veterans "has proven to be one of our Nation's greatest assets" (pp. A6000-1).

31. POULTRY. Extension of remarks of Rep. Price calling attention to his resolution, H. Res. 647, to provide for a congressional investigation of the commercial slaughtering and processing of poultry, and inserting an Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America article, "Congress Should Probe Sick and Disease Poultry" (pp. A6002-3).

32. GOVERNMENT COMPETITION. Rep. Bender inserted a Cleveland News editorial urging elimination of Government competition with private with private business (pp. A6020-1).

33. EXPENDITURES. Sen. Douglas inserted his recent radio speech discussing the importance of eliminating "wasteful Government expenditures" (pp. A6021-2).

34. RECLAMATION. Extension of remarks of Rep. Saylor opposing H. R. 4449, the upper Colorado River storage project bill (p. A6023).

35. FAMILY-SIZE FARMS. Rep. Berry inserted a constituent's letter discussing some of the problems of the farmers, stating that "... in operation no consideration is given to the small family farmer..." and objecting to reductions in wheat acreage allotments (pp. A5997-8).

curring by him on account of the injuries so sustained by the said Harold Swarthout: *Provided*, That no part of the amount appropriated in this act shall be paid or delivered to or received by any agent or attorney on account of services rendered in connection with this claim, and the same shall be unlawful, any contract to the contrary notwithstanding. Any person violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in any sum not exceeding \$1,000.

The amendments were agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed.

The title was amended so as to read: "A bill for the relief of Harold Swarthout and L. R. Swarthout."

DISCONTINUANCE OF CERTAIN REPORTS

Mr. HENDRICKSON. Mr. President, I am interested in calendar No. 1985, House bill 6290. I was under the impression, at the call of the calendar on yesterday, that we had asked unanimous consent that calendar 1985, House bill 6290, to discontinue certain reports now required by law, be included, but I was in error. In view of the assurance I gave to the distinguished Senator from Maine that it had been included in the calendar call, I think it should be included.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, reserving the right to object—and I shall, of course, not object, because of the circumstance the Senator from New Jersey has mentioned—I understand there is a similar bill which Senators on the other side of the aisle desire to have considered. I think this is entirely within the spirit of the call. I have been assured by both calendar committees that it will not open up a discussion.

Mr. HENDRICKSON. We are in complete agreement.

Mr. SMATHERS. There is a bill which was reported by the Senator from Utah [Mr. WATKINS] to which an objection was made inadvertently.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H. R. 6290) to discontinue certain reports now required by law, which had been reported from the Committee on Government Operations, with amendments, on page 4, after line 4, to strike out:

11. Annual report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 18 of the Federal Airport Act (60 Stat. 180; 49 U. S. C. 1117), describing operations conducted under the Federal Airport Act.

On page 4, line 9, to change the section number from "12" to "11"; in line 13, to change the section number from "13" to "12"; in line 18, to change the section number from "14" to "13"; in line 22, to change the section number from "15" to "14"; on page 5, line 2, to change the section number from "16" to "15"; in line 9, to change the section number from "17" to "16"; in line 21, to change the section number from "18" to "17"; on page 6, line 5, to change the section

number from "19" to "18"; in line 9, to change the section number from "20" to "19"; in line 13, to change the section number from "21" to "20"; in line 17, to change the section number from "22" to "21"; in line 21, to change the section number from "23" to "22"; on page 7, line 2, to change the section number from "24" to "23"; in line 6, to change the section number from "25" to "24"; in line 11, to change the section number from "26" to "25"; in line 18, to change the section number from "27" to "26"; in line 23, to change the section number from "28" to "27"; on page 8, line 4, to change the section number from "29" to "28"; in line 9, to change the section number from "30" to "29"; in line 12, to change the section number from "31" to "30"; in line 16, to change the section number from "32" to "31"; in line 21, to change the section number from "33" to "32"; in line 23, after the word "appropriation" to strike out "and for funds on the books of the Government and also funds in the official custody of officers and employees of the United States in which the Government is financially concerned, for which no accounting is rendered to the General Accounting Office, as in the judgment of the Comptroller General, after a survey thereof, may be in the public interest."

On page 9, line 5, to change the section number from "34" to "33."

On page 1, line 10, after "Sec. 2", to strike out "subdivision" and insert "subsection"; on page 2, line 10, after the word "his", to strike out "birth, nationality, and last residence" and insert "birth, or nationality, or last residence"; and after line 16, to insert:

SEC. 4. That subsection (a) of section 7 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "No visa shall be issued under the allotment of 45,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (5) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in Italy, or under the allotment of 15,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (7) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in Greece, or under the allotment of 15,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (9) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in the Netherlands, to an alien who qualifies under the preferences specified in paragraph (2), (3), or (4) of section 203 (a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, until satisfactory evidence is presented to the responsible consular officer to establish that the alien in question will have suitable employment and housing, without displacing any other person therefrom, after arrival in the United States. Verification of such available employment and housing shall be made in accordance with such regulations as the Administrator may, in his discretion, prescribe for the administration of the act, including job order clearances by the United States Employment Service and its affiliated State employment services, and a certification by local housing authorities wherever they exist and are authorized and prepared to make such certifications."

The amendments were agreed to.

Mr. HENDRICKSON. Mr. President, I send to the desk an amendment and ask to have it stated by the clerk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the amendment offered by the Senator from New Jersey.

The LEGISLATIVE CLERK. It is proposed to strike out, on page 1, item 1, and to renumber all succeeding items.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment offered by the Senator from New Jersey.

The amendment was agreed to.

The amendments were ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

ORDER FOR RECESS TO 10 A. M. TOMORROW

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its session tonight it stand in recess until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning. This is in keeping with the prior understanding with reference to the special order for tomorrow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RELIEF OF S. H. PRATHER

Mr. WELKER. Mr. President, will the Senator from California yield?

Mr. KNOWLAND. I yield.

Mr. WELKER. Mr. President, earlier in the afternoon I discussed with the distinguished majority leader House bill 9357, for the relief of S. H. Prather, and, because of the fact that I must leave soon, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of that bill. It was reported unanimously by the Judiciary Committee. It was suggested by the senior and junior Senators from Georgia and Representatives from Georgia.

Mr. KNOWLAND. Mr. President, because the Senator from Idaho must leave in the fairly near future, and because the distinguished Senator from Georgia [Mr. GEORGE], who has heavy responsibilities, had also asked that this bill be taken up, I do not object, in view of the nature of the bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the consideration of House bill 9357?

Mr. HENDRICKSON. Mr. President, may we have an explanation of the bill?

Mr. WELKER. Mr. President, this case arose in Marcus, Ga., when two revenue agents who were traveling down a road saw a suspicious car. They knew the occupants of the car. They had no reasonable grounds or probable cause to believe that they were violating any law whatsoever, but, notwithstanding that fact, the revenue agents of the United States Government pursued the car and drove at a rapid rate of speed into an intersection in a large city—

Mr. HENDRICKSON. Mr. President, will the Senator from Idaho yield?

Mr. WELKER. I yield.

Mr. HENDRICKSON. I recall distinctly the bill and the discussions in the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, and I need no further explanation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H. R. 9357) for the relief of S. H. Prather, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary with an amend-

ment, on page 2, line 22, after the word "act" to strike out "in excess of 10 percent thereof."

The amendment was agreed to.

The amendment was ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

AMENDMENT OF REFUGEE ACT OF 1953

Mr. SMATHERS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 2070, House bill 8193, to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953. It was objected to by the minority calendar committee, but it was done inadvertently.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the present consideration of the bill?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill (H. R. 8193) to amend the Refugee Relief Act of 1953, which had been reported from the Committee on the Judiciary with amendments, on page 1, line 10, to strike out "Subdivision" and insert "Subsection"; on page 2 line 10, to strike out "birth, nationality, and last residence" and insert "birth, or nationality, or last residence"; and to add a new section, as follows:

SEC. 4. That subsection (a) of section 7 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "No visa shall be issued under the allotment of 45,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (5) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in Italy, or under the allotment of 15,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (7) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in Greece, or under the allotment of 15,000 visas heretofore made by paragraph (9) of subsection 4 (a) of this act to refugees in the Netherlands, to an alien who qualifies under the preferences specified in paragraph (2), (3), or (4) of section 203 (a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act, until satisfactory evidence is presented to the responsible consular officer to establish that the alien in question will have suitable employment and housing, without displacing any other person therefrom, after arrival in the United States. Verification of such available employment and housing shall be made in accordance with such regulations as the Administrator may, in his discretion, prescribe for the administration of the act, including job order clearances by the United States Employment Service and its affiliated State employment services, and a certification by local housing authorities wherever they exist and are authorized and prepared to make such certifications."

Mr. McCARRAN. Mr. President, if the committee amendments to this bill are adopted it will be a good bill, and I shall vote for it. These amendments were worked out on the basis of an agreement between the senior Senator from Utah [Mr. WATKINS], the chairman of the standing subcommittee on immigration, and the senior Senator from Nevada [Mr. McCARRAN]. If these amendments are not agreed to, the bill will be objectionable to the senior Senator from Nevada.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the committee amendments.

The amendments were agreed to.

The amendments were ordered to be engrossed and the bill to be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR EUROPEAN MIGRATION

Mr. McCARRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that certain testimony before the Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate with reference to the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration be inserted in the RECORD at this point, as part of my remarks.

There being no objection, the testimony was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

UNITED STATES SENATE,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERNAL SECURITY,
Washington, D. C., July 30, 1954.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to call, at 3:45 p. m., in room F-52, the Capitol, Hon. PAT McCARRAN presiding.

Present: Senator McCARRAN.

Also present: Richard Arens, special counsel to subcommittee.

Senator McCARRAN. The committee will come to order.

You do solemnly swear the testimony you are about to give before the subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary of the United States Senate will be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you God?

Mr. HOYT. I do, Senator.

Senator McCARRAN. You may proceed.

Mr. ARENS. Kindly identify yourself by name, residence, and occupation.

TESTIMONY OF DAVID D. HOYT, SARASOTA, FLA.

Mr. HOYT. My name is David D. Hoyt. I am presently residing at Sarasota, Fla., the home of my brother-in-law, Dr. Cecil E. Miller. I have been employed for some 9 years as an investigator and security officer with the State Department. I was loaned by the State Department to the Migration Committee for 2 years and 3 months.

Mr. ARENS. What migration committee is that?

Mr. HOYT. That is known as ICEM, I-C-E-M, Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration.

Mr. ARENS. And when were you loaned to the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration?

Mr. HOYT. I was last loaned to them on April 1, 1952, as the security officer with the committee.

Mr. ARENS. Would you tell us what was your particular job with the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration?

Mr. HOYT. My particular job was to act as the committee's security officer, in that capacity performing the normal work of a security officer, screening the staff and so forth.

Mr. ARENS. Were you the chief person employed by the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration on security matters?

Mr. HOYT. I was the only one, sir. I was the only security man.

Mr. ARENS. How long were you so engaged?

Mr. HOYT. From April 1, 1952, until July 9 of 1954.

Mr. ARENS. And what precipitated the severance of your relationship with the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration?

Mr. HOYT. I left generally because I was dissatisfied with the security within the committee and principally in relation to the screening of migrants moving to South America.

Mr. ARENS. Did you resign?

Mr. HOYT. I resigned.

Mr. ARENS. It was not a forced resignation in any sense of the word?

Mr. HOYT. No, sir.

Mr. ARENS. And you anticipate shortly being reengaged in the Department of State of the United States in security work; is that correct?

Mr. HOYT. Yes, sir.

Mr. ARENS. I understood you to say a moment ago you left because you were dissatisfied with screening of migrants.

Mr. HOYT. That's correct.

Mr. ARENS. Tell us, first of all, who are the people who are moved by the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration.

Mr. HOYT. The people moved are European member governments of the committee who are financially unable to move themselves.

Mr. ARENS. They are not necessarily in the refugee or displaced persons category, are they?

Mr. HOYT. Not necessarily, but they may be.

Mr. ARENS. And what is the volume of movement of the Migration Committee? May I ask you if you know the prospective volume, say, for 1954?

Mr. HOYT. About 118,000, sir.

Mr. ARENS. And these people will be moved from Europe during 1954 principally into the Western Hemisphere, will they not?

Mr. HOYT. Principally.

Mr. ARENS. They will go into Argentina, Brazil, Venezuela, Chile, and other countries principally in the Western Hemisphere; is that not correct?

Mr. HOYT. Yes, sir; and Canada, and the only member government outside of the Western Hemisphere is Australia where we are moving migrants.

Mr. ARENS. On the basis of your background as a security officer and on the basis of your knowledge and observation of the screening operations of the Intergovernmental Committee for European Migration, can you tell this committee whether or not in your judgment the security screening of these people who are being moved into the Western Hemisphere from Europe is a satisfactory screening?

Mr. HOYT. For those migrants moving to South American countries, with minor exceptions, the security is entirely inadequate.

Mr. ARENS. The people who are being moved are people principally from Italy; are they not?

Mr. HOYT. Principally from Italy, but quite a number from Greece.

Mr. ARENS. And in Italy there is a 40-percent Communist vote; is there not?

Mr. HOYT. That is correct.

Mr. ARENS. In your judgment is the present process of moving people in vast numbers from Europe who are inadequately screened from a security standpoint a risk to the security of the Western Hemisphere and to the United States of America?

Mr. HOYT. I feel very strongly that it is.

Senator McCARRAN. I want to express my gratitude and the gratitude of the committee for your coming before the committee to give your testimony here and enlightening us on the subject because it is highly important.

Mr. HOYT. Thank you, Senator.

Senator McCARRAN. Thank you for coming up here.

(Whereupon, at 3:35 p. m., Friday, July 30, 1954, the hearing was recessed, subject to the call of the Chair.)

CLAIM OF THE BUNKER HILL DEVELOPMENT CORP.

Mr. JOHNSTON of South Carolina. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to consider Senate bill 2980, conferring jurisdiction

nuclear material or atomic weapon which has been introduced into the United States, or which has been manufactured or acquired therein contrary to the laws of the United States, or

"(b) with respect to an attempted introduction into the United States or an attempted manufacture or acquisition therein of any special nuclear material or atomic weapon, contrary to the laws of the United States,

shall be rewarded by the payment of an amount not to exceed \$500,000.

"SEC. 3. An Awards Boards consisting of the Secretary of the Treasury (who shall be the Chairman), the Secretary of Defense, the Attorney General, the Director of Central Intelligence, and of one member of the Atomic Energy Commission designated by that Commission, shall determine whether any person furnishing information to the United States is entitled to any award and the amount thereof to be paid pursuant to section 2. In determining whether any person furnishing information to the United States is entitled to an award and the amount of such award, the Board shall take into consideration—

"(a) whether or not the information is of the type specified in section 2, and

"(b) whether the person furnishing the information was an officer or employee of the United States and, if so, whether the furnishing of such information was in the line of duty of that person.

Any reward of \$50,000 or more shall be approved by the President.

"SEC. 4. If the information leading to an award under section 3 is furnished by an alien, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and the Director of Central Intelligence, acting jointly, may determine that the entry of such alien into the United States is in the public interest and, in that event, such alien and the members of his immediate family may receive immigrant visas and may be admitted to the United States for permanent residence, notwithstanding the requirements of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

"SEC. 5. The Board established under section 3 is authorized to hold such hearings and make, promulgate, issue, rescind, and amend such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

"SEC. 6. Any words granted under section 3 of this act shall be certified by the awards board and, together with the approval of the President in those cases where such approval is required, transmitted to the Director of Central Intelligence for payment out of funds appropriated or available for the administration of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended.

"SEC. 7. As used in this act—

"(a) The term 'atomic energy' means all forms of energy released in the course of nuclear fission or nuclear transformation.

"(b) The term 'atomic weapon' means any device utilizing atomic energy, exclusive of the means for transporting or propelling the device (where such means is a separable and divisible part of the device), the principal purpose of which is for use as, or for development of, a weapon, a weapon prototype, or a weapon test device.

"(c) The term 'special nuclear material' means plutonium, or uranium enriched in the isotope 233 or in the isotope 235, or any other material which is found to be special nuclear material pursuant to the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954.

"(d) The term 'United States', when used in a geographical sense, includes all Territories and possessions of the United States and the Canal Zone; except that in section 4, the term 'United States' when so used shall have the meaning given to it in the Immigration and Nationality Act."

Mr. COLE of New York (interrupting the reading). Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading of the committee amendment, but that it be printed in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. COLE of New York. Mr. Speaker, if I may take just a moment so that the Members may have some idea of what this is about, first, let me assure you that it does not constitute an authorization for the expenditure of money which is not now presently authorized.

It does not constitute a grant of authority for the grant of an award that is not now presently authorized.

In substance it authorizes a reward of up to \$500,000 to any person who may provide information or evidence leading to the detection of an atomic weapon which has been smuggled into this country or illegally manufactured in this country.

It is unnecessary for me to call to the attention of the Members of the House the dire consequences of a weapon surreptitiously brought into this country. The reward of \$500,000 is a pittance in comparison with the value of the detection of the existence of such a weapon.

A board is created by this bill to pass upon the amount of the award and the entitlement to it. That board is composed of the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of Central Intelligence, one member of the Atomic Energy Commission and the Secretary of Defense.

Mr. PATMAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. COLE of New York. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. PATMAN. How does this bill compare to the present Federal reward law that was enacted about 20 years ago? The gentleman will recall when we had public enemies in this country, the names of whom, of course, the gentleman is familiar with, there was a Federal reward act passed by the Congress, in about 1934. In that act it was provided that a reward up to \$50,000 could be offered for the apprehension of any person who had been designated by the Attorney General as a public enemy. I wonder if this bill is comparable in some respects to that act?

Mr. COLE of New York. I cannot say how comparable it is, but, certainly, the objective is the same. It is to offer an inducement to people to furnish evidence of an act which if completed would be extremely injurious to our country.

Mr. PATMAN. Under that act a reward was offered for the apprehension of these public enemies and they were soon apprehended. No. 1 was Dillinger under that particular act.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the committee amendment.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my remarks relating to H. R. 9838, outlawing communism, as passed by the House yesterday, be entered in the RECORD.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

TERMINATION OF FEDERAL SUPERVISION OVER THE PROPERTY OF CERTAIN TRIBES OF INDIANS IN THE STATE OF UTAH

Mr. DAWSON of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I call up the conference report on the bill (S. 2670) to provide for the termination of Federal supervision over the property of certain tribes, bands, and colonies of Indians in the State of Utah and the individual members thereof, and for other purposes, and ask unanimous consent that the statement of the managers on the part of the House be read in lieu of the report.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Utah?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the statement.

(For the conference report and statement, see proceedings of the House of August 16, 1954.)

The SPEAKER. The question is on the conference report.

The conference report was agreed to, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REPORT ON COMMUNIST AGGRESSION BY THE SOVIET UNION

Mr. SCHENCK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of House Resolution 702, authorizing the printing of additional copies of the report on Communist aggression by the Soviet Union.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Resolved, That there be printed for the use of the Select Committee on Communist Aggression 34,000 additional copies of the report on Communist aggression by the Soviet Union, made by the said committee under the authority and direction of House Resolution 346 and House Resolution 438, current Congress.

The resolution was agreed to, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF CERTAIN PROPERTY OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN KLAMATH COUNTY, OREG., TO THE STATE OF OREGON

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of Senate Concurrent Resolution 107.

The Clerk read the Senate concurrent resolution, as follows:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the Clerk of the House of Representatives, in the enrollment of the bill (H. R. 8020) entitled "An act authorizing the transfer of certain property of the United States Government (in Klamath County, Oreg.) to the State of Oregon," is authorized and directed to make the following correction: In the matter added by the Senate amendment, strike out "section 203 (d) (2) (D)" and insert in lieu thereof "section 203 (k) (2) (D)."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

Mr. VORYS. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, will the gentleman explain what happened there?

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, we sent a bill over to the other body, they changed it with reference to a subsection number, and made an error. Now we are trying to correct it.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Senate concurrent resolution.

The Senate concurrent resolution was agreed to, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DISCONTINUING CERTAIN REPORTS

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H. R. 6290) to discontinue certain reports now required by law, with Senate amendments thereto, and concur in the Senate amendments.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendments, as follows:

Page 1, strike out lines 10, 11, and 12.
 Page 2, line 1, strike out "2" and insert "1."
 Page 2, line 6, strike out "3" and insert "2."
 Page 2, line 13, strike out "4" and insert "3."
 Page 2, line 17, strike out "5" and insert "4."
 Page 2, line 23, strike out "6" and insert "5."
 Page 3, line 3, strike out "7" and insert "6."
 Page 3, line 6, strike out "8" and insert "7."
 Page 3, line 12, strike out "9" and insert "8."
 Page 3, line 24, strike out "10" and insert "9."
 Page 4, strike out lines 5 to 8, inclusive.
 Page 4, line 9, strike out "12" and insert "10."
 Page 4, line 13, strike out "13" and insert "11."
 Page 4, line 18, strike out "14" and insert "12."
 Page 4, line 22, strike out "15" and insert "13."
 Page 5, line 2, strike out "16" and insert "14."
 Page 5, line 9, strike out "17" and insert "15."
 Page 5, line 21, strike out "18" and insert "16."
 Page 6, line 5, strike out "19" and insert "17."
 Page 6, line 9, strike out "20" and insert "18."
 Page 6, line 13, strike out "21" and insert "19."
 Page 6, line 17, strike out "22" and insert "20."
 Page 6, line 21, strike out "23" and insert "21."
 Page 7, line 2, strike out "24" and insert "22."

Page 7, line 6, strike out "25" and insert "23."

Page 7, line 11, strike out "26" and insert "24."

Page 7, line 18, strike out "27" and insert "25."

Page 7, line 23, strike out "28" and insert "26."

Page 8, line 4, strike out "29" and insert "27."

Page 8, line 9, strike out "30" and insert "28."

Page 8, line 12, strike out "31" and insert "29."

Page 8, line 16, strike out "32" and insert "30."

Page 8, line 21, strike out "33" and insert "31."

Page 8, line 23, strike out all after "appropriation" over to and including "interest" in line 4 on page 9.

Page 9, line 5, strike out "34" and insert "32."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

The Senate amendments were concurred in, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

FEDERAL PROPERTY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES ACT OF 1949

Mr. HOFFMAN of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent for the immediate consideration of the bill (H. R. 10187) to amend the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, to provide for the payment of appraisers', auctioneers', and brokers' fees from the proceeds of disposal of Government surplus real property, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

There being no objection, the Clerk read the bill, as follows:

Be it enacted, etc., That section 204 of the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, is amended as follows:

(a) Subsections (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) are redesignated as subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respectively.

(b) A new subsection (b) is added, reading as follows:

"(b) All the proceeds of such dispositions of surplus real and related personal property made by the Administrator of General Services shall be set aside in a separate fund in the Treasury. Not more than an amount to be determined quarterly by the Director of the Bureau of the Budget may be obligated from such fund by the Administrator to pay the direct expenses incurred for the dispositions of surplus property under this act for fees of appraisers, auctioneers, and realty brokers, and for advertising and surveying. Such payments from this fund may be used either to pay such expenses directly or to reimburse the fund or appropriation initially bearing such expenses. Fees paid to appraisers, auctioneers, and brokers shall be in accordance with the scale of fees customarily paid for such services in similar commercial transactions, and in no event shall more than 12 percent of the proceeds of all dispositions within each fiscal year of surplus real and related personal property be paid out of such proceeds under this authorization to meet direct expenses incurred in connection with such dispositions. Periodically, but not less often than once each year, any excess funds beyond current operating needs shall be

transferred from the fund to miscellaneous receipts: *Provided,* That a report of receipts, disbursements, and transfers to miscellaneous receipts under this authorization shall be made annually in connection with the budget estimates to the Director of the Bureau of the Budget and to the Congress."

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

KENNETH McRIGHT

Mr. JONAS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H. R. 1461) for the relief of Kenneth McRight, with a Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendment, as follows:

Page 1, line 12, strike out "in excess of 10 percent thereof."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

The Senate amendment was concurred in, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

NICHOLAS MATOOK

Mr. JONAS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H. R. 2781) for the relief of Nicholas Matook, with a Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendment, as follows:

Page 1, line 11, strike out "in excess of 10 percent thereof."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

The Senate amendment was concurred in, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DR. ALFRED L. SMITH

Mr. JONAS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H. R. 3014) for the relief of Dr. Alfred L. Smith, with a Senate amendment thereto, and concur in the Senate amendment.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Clerk read the Senate amendment, as follows:

Page 2, line 4, strike out "in excess of 10 percent thereof."

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

The Senate amendment was concurred in, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DENNIS F. GUTHRIE

Mr. JONAS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's desk the bill (H. R. 3232).

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HIGHLIGHTS: Both Houses agreed to conference report on farm program bill. House agreed to conference report on supplemental appropriation bill and acted on amendments in disagreement. House agreed to conference report on atomic energy bill. Senate passed omnibus flood control bill. Senate passed bill to extend unemployment compensation to Federal employees. Senate agreed to conference report on fringe-benefits personnel bill. Senate made bill increasing CCC borrowing authority its unfinished business. Rep. Hill inserted statement of assistance available under drought-relief program. Rep. Houlder criticized administration of drought relief.

HOUSE

1. FARM PROGRAM. Agreed to the conference report on H. R. 9680, the farm program bill, by a division vote of 208 to 47 (pp. 14027-40, 14043). The Senate agreed to this conference report by a yea-nay vote of 44 to 28 (pp. 14152-69). This bill will now be sent to the President.
2. SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION BILL, 1955. Agreed to the conference report on this bill, H. R. 9936, and acted upon amendments which had been reported from conference committee in disagreement.
Concurred in the following Senate amendments: Census of business, manufactures, and mineral industries, \$8,430,000; and unemployment compensation for Federal employees, \$10,000,000.
Concurred in the following Senate amendments with amendments: FAS, for agricultural attaches in foreign countries, \$1,400,000, to be transferred from the State Department (the Senate amendment would have provided \$1,500,000, of which \$1,000,000 would have been transferred from the State Department). Commodity Exchange Authority, \$93,000 (the House amendment brings up to date a citation to a bill). Water Facilities Act, \$5,000,000 (House amendment changes a reference from "appropriation" to "authorization"). Office of the Solicitor, USDA, \$45,000 (instead of \$54,000 as provided by the Senate amendment). Office

of Vocational Rehabilitation, \$4,000,000 (Senate amendment provided \$6,000,000). Surveys of Government records, records management, and disposal practices, \$300,000 (Senate amendment provided \$500,000). Provision to credit receipts, for temporary subleasing of excess space to commercial organizations, to the fund from which rental payments are made (House amendment limits this provision to the fiscal year 1955).

The House also concurred in the Senate amendment to make available the unobligated balances of funds previously appropriated for acquisition of sites and preparation of drawings and specifications for Federal building projects outside D. C.

For other items of interest to the Department see Digest 159.

During debate on this bill:

Rep. Cannon criticized deficiencies and spoke in favor of economy.

Rep. Patman criticized the Hoover Commission as an abdication of congressional responsibility.

Regarding the agricultural-attaches provision, Rep. Andersen said: "I wish to make the record clear that the conferees have agreed that services from counterpart funds or other sources heretofore made available to this service while under State Department supervision shall continue to be available to this service on the same basis as heretofore." (pp. 14009-26.)

3. ATOMIC ENERGY. Agreed to the new conference report on H. R. 9757, to revise the Atomic Energy Act (pp. 14043-8). This bill will now be sent to the President.
4. FOREIGN AID; SURPLUS COMMODITIES. Received the conference report on H. R. 9924, to provide for family housing for military personnel and their dependents, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to procure such housing for military personnel in foreign countries through the use of foreign currencies obtained through sale of surplus agricultural commodities, and to make Defense Department appropriations available to reimburse CCC in an amount equivalent to the dollar value of the currencies used (p. 14069).
5. SURPLUS PROPERTY. Passed without amendment H. R. 10187, to provide for payment of appraisers', auctioneers', and brokers' fees from the proceeds of disposal of Government surplus real property (p. 14050).
6. RECLAMATION. House conferees were appointed on H. R. 8498, to authorize the Palo Verde project, Calif. (p. 14052). Senate conferees have not been appointed.
7. APPROPRIATIONS. Rep. O'Hara, Ill., inserted a summary of appropriation laws of the 83rd Congress, 1st session (pp. 14059-69).
8. SOIL CONSERVATION. Received from the Interior Department a report that an adequate soil survey and land classification has been made of lands served by the Eden project, Wyo. (pp. 14072-3).
9. FOREIGN AID. Received from FCA a report on administration of the Yugoslav assistance program (H. Doc. 493) (p. 14072).
10. REPORTS. Concurred in Senate amendments to H. R. 6290, to discontinue certain reports required by law, including: Regional research laboratories, claims over \$1,000 compromised under Farm Tenant Act, status of Farm Tenant Mortgage Insurance Fund, contract research under RMA, accounting for funds received and expended, agricultural marketing revolving fund (FCA), and inactive and permanent appropriations and/or funds. One amendment concurred in was to continue reports under the Tort Claims Act. (p. 14050.) This bill will now be sent to the President.

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AN ACT

All 68 Stat. 966.

To discontinue certain reports now required by law.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following reports or statements now required by law are hereby discontinued, and all Acts or parts of Acts herein cited as requiring the submission of such reports or statements are hereby repealed to the extent of such requirement :

REPORTS UNDER EACH EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT AND INDEPENDENT ESTABLISHMENT

1. The inclusion in the annual report to Congress of each executive department or independent establishment of a statement of receipts from fees or charges paid to such department or establishment under all Acts of Congress (47 Stat. 411; 5 U. S. C. 104a). By-law reports.
Receipts from fees.
2. The quarterly report to Congress by each department and agency of the name of each claimant to whom relief has been granted under the Act of August 7, 1946, as amended, together with the amount of such relief and a brief statement of the facts and the administrative decision (60 Stat. 902; 41 U. S. C. 106). Relief claimants.
41 USC 106 note.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

3. The annual report to Congress of the activities of, expenditures by, and donations to the four regional research laboratories authorized by the Agriculture Adjustment Act of 1938 (52 Stat. L. 37; 7 U. S. C. 1292 (e)). Research laboratories.
4. The annual report to the Congress of all persons against whom claims under the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act in excess of \$1,000 have been compromised, the address of such person, the nature of the claim, the amount of the compromise and the reason therefor (60 Stat. 1066; 7 U. S. C. 1015 (g)). Farm tenant claims.
5. The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture required to be included in his annual report to Congress, with respect to the status of the Farm Tenant-Mortgage Insurance Fund (60 Stat. L. 1076; 7 U. S. C. 1005a). Farm tenant insurance.
6. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture to the President accounting for all moneys received and expended by him (45 Stat. 993; 5 U. S. C. 557). Expenditures.
7. The annual report by the Secretary of Agriculture to the Congress on research work being performed under contracts or cooperative agreements pursuant to the Act of August 14, 1946 (60 Stat. 1086, 1090; 7 U. S. C. 427j and 1624). Research under contracts.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

8. The report to the Congress on Federal-aid highways required of the Secretary of Commerce on or before the first Monday in January of each year, giving a detailed statement of the work done, the status of each project undertaken, the allocation of appropriations, an itemized statement of the expenditures and receipts during the preceding fiscal year, an itemized statement of travel and other expenses, including a list of employees, their duties, salaries and travel expenses, and his recommendations, if any, for new legislation amending or supplementing existing law (42 Stat. 216; 48 Stat. 995; 53 Stat. 1426; 60 Stat. Federal-aid highways.
23 USC 20;
5 USC 133t note;
15 USC 192a note.

- 63 Stat. 377, 866; Public Law 152, Eighty-first Congress; Reorganization Plan 1070. Numbered 7 of 1949).
- 40 USC 471 note; 9. The report of the Maritime Commission on coordination of forwarding water-borne export and import foreign commerce of the United States required by section 217 of the Merchant Marine Act of 1936 as amended (56 Stat. 171; 46 U. S. C. 1127).
- 5 USC 133z-15 note.
- Airport construction. 10. Annual report submitted in accordance with section 4 of S. Res. 136, Eighty-first Congress, providing Congress with data on contemplated airport and Federal airways construction.
11. Annual report concerning messing facilities in Alaska and other points outside the continental United States, submitted to Congress by the Secretary of Commerce in accordance with Public Law 390, Eighty-first Congress (63 Stat. 907; 5 U. S. C. 596a).
12. The requirement that two thousand eight hundred copies of the report of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey be printed in quarto form (28 Stat. 612; 44 U. S. C. 247).
13. The annual coast survey report submitted to Congress in accordance with section 4690 of the Revised Statutes (33 U. S. C. 888).

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

- Contract authorizations. 14. The quarterly reports by the Secretary of Defense to the Committees on Appropriations and Armed Services of the amounts obligated under the contract authorizations provided for in the Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act, 1948 (Public Law 547, Eightieth Congress), as required by section 2 of that Act (5 U. S. C. 171a Note).
- 62 Stat. 259. River expenses. 15. The following statements of expenses included in the annual report of the Chief of Engineers in respect of: (1) gaging of waters on the Mississippi River and its tributaries (33 U. S. C. 4); (2) maintenance of the channel through, and securing uninterrupted examinations and surveys of the South Pass of the Mississippi River (33 U. S. C. 602); (3) removal of obstructions from the Mississippi and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 604 and 606); (4) operation of snag boats on the upper Mississippi River and certain other rivers (33 U. S. C. 605); (5) operating, maintaining, keeping in repair and reconstructing locks, canals, etc., other than Panama Canal (33 U. S. C. 5).
- Mechanics, etc., Navy. 16. Annual report pursuant to Revised Statutes 429 (5 U. S. C. 466), of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress in the form of a statement of amounts expended for wages of mechanics and laborers employed in building, repairing, or equipping vessels of the Navy or in receiving and securing stores and materials for those purposes and for the purchase of materials and stores for the same purpose.
- Sale of vessels, etc. 17. Statement in the annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress of all acts done in making sale of any vessel or materials of the Navy (Revised Statutes 429, 5 U. S. C. 466).
- 36 Stat. 1267. 18. Annual report of the Secretary of the Navy to the Congress of charges included in the cost of work under naval appropriations pursuant to title 31, United States Code, section 647.
- 5 USC 189d. 19. Annual report of the Secretary of each military department of transportation services furnished under Public Law 560, Eightieth Congress (62 Stat. 276-277), as required by section 2 of that Act.

20. Report to the Congress by Federal authorities of transfer of jurisdiction over Government properties within the District of Columbia among Federal and District authorities pursuant to title 40, 47 Stat. 161. United States Code, section 122. 68 Stat. 967.

21. Annual report of the Department of the Navy pursuant to section 61, Statutes at Large, page 705 (34 U. S. C. 1076b), concerning the number and salaries of professors and instructors employed at the Naval Post Graduate School. 68 Stat. 968.

REPORTS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

22. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior of operations under section 13 of the Boulder Canyon Project Adjustment Act (54 Stat. 779; 43 U. S. C. 618 letter "I").

23. The annual report and financial statement by the Secretary of the Interior as to the transmission and sale of electric energy generated at the Fort Peck project during the preceding governmental fiscal year (52 Stat. 406; 16 U. S. C. 833g (c)).

24. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the fiscal affairs of all Indian tribes for whose benefit expenditures from either public or tribal funds shall have been made by any officer, clerk, or employee in the Interior Department during the preceding fiscal year (36 Stat. 1077; 25 U. S. C. 143).

25. The annual report by the National Park Trust Fund Board to the Congress of the moneys or securities received and held by it, and of its operations (49 Stat. 478; 16 U. S. C. 19d).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

26. The annual report of the Attorney General to Congress of all suits under the Suits in Admiralty Act (46 U. S. C. 752), and the Public Vessels Act (46 U. S. C. 790), in which final judgment has been rendered. 41 Stat. 528; 43 Stat. 1113.

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

27. The annual report by the Secretary of Labor of the findings of the Bureau of Labor Statistics on studies of productivity and labor costs in various industries (54 Stat. 249; 29 U. S. C. 2b).

REPORT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

28. The semiannual report of the National Munitions Control Board (22 U. S. C. 452). 54 Stat. 10.

REPORT UNDER THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

29. The report on regulations as to lifesaving appliances on ocean, lake, and sound steamers and foreign vessels (46 U. S. C. 481).

REPORTS UNDER THE GENERAL ACCOUNTING OFFICE

30. Report by the Comptroller General on Farm Credit Administration transactions under the agricultural marketing revolving fund, in violation of law, together with such recommendations as deemed desirable (46 Stat. 18; 12 U. S. C. 1141i).

All 68 Stat. 968.

31. Report by the Comptroller General containing recommendations for such changes in existing law relating to inactive and permanent appropriation (48 Stat. 1236; 31 U. S. C. 725w).

48 Stat. 1236. 32. Report by the Comptroller General of any transaction or condition found to be in conflict with the powers or duties entrusted to the Tennessee Valley Authority by law (48 Stat. 63, 64; 49 Stat. 1080, 1081; 16 U. S. C. 831h).

Approved August 30, 1954.

